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Thu 0330	WRMI	9955 [1769 replayed]
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Sat 0730	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio [suspended till May]
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Sat 1930v	WA0RCR	1860-AM
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Wed 0630	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio [suspended till May]
Wed 1315	WRMI	9955
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Tnx to Dr Harald Gabler and the Rhein-Main Radio Club.
http://www.rmrc.de/index.php/rmrc-service/podcast/glenn-hauser-wor

ALTERNATIVE PODCASTS, tnx Stephen Cooper:
http://shortwave.am/wor.xml

AND ANOTHER PODCAST ALTERNATIVE, tnx to Keith Weston:
http://feeds.feedburner.com/GlennHausersWorldOfRadio

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http://tunein.com/radio/World-of-Radio-p198/

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http://www.hard-core-dx.com/index.php?topic=Hauser

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When applying, please identify yourself with your real name and location, and say something about why you want to join. Those who do not, unless I recognize them, will be prompted once to do so and no action will be taken otherwise. Here`s where to sign up:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dxld/

** ALBANIA. 9850, R Tirana, 0125 with IS and English sign/on. YL talx (news?) briefly at BoH but so far in the noise it was hard to understand. Then into music. Only music for the rest of the broadcast until 0157 when the IS played again and carrier was off at 0158. I hope this picks up as summer goes on as THIS is not the R Tirana signal strength and clarity I remember! 3+3431+ - almost O=2 but not quite. 0125-0158* 11/Apr (Ken Vito Zichi, Williamston MI, Heathkit SB-310, Drake SPR4, MARE Tipsheet 17 April via DXLD)

9850, R Tirana, 0132 Apr 16, Poor, AM, English. Poor copy, using USB

(Jack Amelar, Lowell MI, MARE Tipsheet 17 April via DXLD)

7465, Radio Tirana, Shijak, 1921-1931, escuchada el 16 de abril de 2015 con emisiÛn de un fragmento musical que se repite constantemente; el servicio en alem·n debe empezar a las 1931, SINPO 44444. A las 1931 intuyo a Radio Tirana en alem·n con locutor y locutora; la modulaciÛn es terrible, pr·cticamente inaudible, SINPO 34222 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), Spain, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ALGERIA [non]. FRANCIA, 12060, Radio Algerienne Holy Qur¥an, Issoudun, 2021-2023, escuchada el 16 de abril de 2015 en ·rabe con canto del Cor·n, SINPO 54333. Se aprecia el deterioro de las condiciones de propagaciÛn. Esta emisora normalmente entra con un SINPO 55555; sin embargo en el dÌa de hoy la emisiÛn no es la misma, no es limpia (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), Spain, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANGOLA. On 4949.741 kHz footprint exact April 11, at 2245 UT (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, BCDX April 18 via DXLD)

4949.8, RNA-Canal "A", Mulenvos, 2310-..., 17/4, portuguÍs, texto; 35433, quase nenhum ·udio; idem em 19/4, pelas 1830. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANGUILLA [and non]. 6090, University Network; 0409, 15-Apr; Missing, but Rev. Barbie doing her thing on 5935, WWCR (presumed).

+++ 0205, 16-Apr; Missing again; Rev. Barbie on 5935. 6090 has fair Portuguese program; presume ZYE956 Radio Bandeirantes; seems to be a comedy program (Frodge-MI)

11775 University Network; 1944, 13-Apr; Missing; German program dominent; CRI via China listed in German at this time. Rev. Barbie sermonizing on 13845-WWCR (presumed).

+++ 1416 14-Apr; missing again; weak sub-continental music there; AIR in Nepali listed. Neither Rev. Barbie nor Dead Dr. Gene on 13845.

+++ 1438, 15-Apr; missing again & not on 13845.

+++ 1453, 16-Apr; missing again & U.N. not on 13845 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11775, April 17 at 1404, no signal from CBB, missing a lot lately: Harold Frodge in MI notes both 6090 and 11775 missing at numerous chex

April 13-16, but PMS still on WWCR 5935 or 13845 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6090, April 18 at 0117, CBB is missing; also no 11775 circa 1300.

6090, April 20 at 0103, still no signal from CBB; has DGS finally given up the ghost? Not on WWCR. Need to check 11775 weekdays in the 20-22 UT period when Ivo Ivanov says WHRI is now on that frequency before 22 as well as afterward.

11775, April 20 at 2050, CBB is still off, but nothing else is heard here, not WHRI which Ivo had reported to be on 11775 at 20-22 as well as after 22. Same transmitter, I think, is weakly heard on 11670 instead where it blox All India Radio, poor with BS.

11775, April 22 at 1347, PMS is audible, only fair signal with LAH and CCI, presumably India. CBB had been missing for a week or more, again making us wonder if it`s gone for good. 6090 also back on air with DGS at 0703 April 23. And 11775 again with PMS at 1353 April 23, fast SAH. Suspect CBB is not up to full 100 kW power on 25m, tho 49m is plentiful (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11775, University Network; 1720, 20-Apr; Missing ñ nothing heard; Rev. Barbie on 13845 WWCR (presumed), SIO=353 talking about teaching & her wardrobe (which she didn't need in her previous "teaching" career).

+++ 1511, 21-Apr; Missing--nothing heard; Dead Dr. Gene waxing on 13845, WWCR(presumed) S30

+++ 2040, 22-Apr; They're baaaaaaack! Dead Dr. Gene waxing about "auxiliary functions in the church giving the church reason for being." I didn't stick around for the gory auxiliary details. SIO=4+54-; // 13845

+++ 1504, 23-Apr; Dead Dr. Gene, much weaker than usual, only S5-6; // 13845.

+++ 2100, 23-Apr; Rev. Barbie back up to S9-10, // 13845

(Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANTARCTICA. 15475.99, 2003-2130 17.4, LRA36, R Nacional Arc·ngel San Gabriel, Base Esperanza. Spanish news by female, 2008 male presenting Latin American songs, much disturbing pulsating DRM noise, 35243 until 2050, then deteriorating, 25222 (Anker Petersen, from Skovlunde, Denmark, using my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of

longwire, WB yg via DXLD)

DRM? Centered on what frequency? There is nothing to account for that in HFCC or Aoki from 15465 to 15495 at that time or any time (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA [and non]. 11711-, UT Fri April 17 at 0042, RAE with much better signal than usual, tnx to boost by K-index of 6: music, then Brazilian announcement. Fortunately, no spur from BRAZIL 11780 while the first-order ones on 11745 & 11815 are audible but weak. Compare to UT Sat but UT Sun & Mon, RAE will be off for the weekend.

11711-, UT Sat April 18 at 0135, RAE is only poor in storm noise, not boosted like last night with a K of 6; at least there is no spur audible from Brasil, but still crackling around 11745 & 11815 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA. 15345.15, RAE, 1104, April 20. Noted a new ID format (at least it's new to me); usual multi-language IDs and usual IS, but now also with the addition of a jazz instrumental; almost fair. Audio: https://app.box.com/s/lir9gsw3mddyrluju9pp1v3ocj13rgqb
(Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thanks to David Kernick, http://www.intervalsignals.net/ for responding to my question to him regarding if the RAE ID format is new. Here is his reply. Ron

"Indeed, thanks for drawing it to my attention, I've recorded their live stream signing-on for the 1000 UT Chinese programme, the start of their broadcast day. Probably one of the longest clips on ISO, as it includes the national anthem and runs for over 11 minutes! Thanks again. David Kernick, Interval Signals Online" (Ron Howard, CA, ibid.)

** ARMENIA. 4810, Voice of Armenia, Yerevan-Gavar, 1928-1930, escuchada el 17 de abril de 2015 en ·rabe a locutor con comentarios, segmento musical, locutor con despedida y fin de emisiÛn, SINPO 34433 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, SacaÒet (CastellÛn), EspaÒa, 1011m altitud, Latitud: 39.8667; Longitud: -0.7167; Grundig Yacht Boy 80, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARMENIA [non?]. Tuning around the 7 MHz SSB ham band, heard station from Armenia, special event 100 years of Turkish genocide, now QRT, heard at 0326 UT at 5 by 6 dB's. 73 joncollins7388@gmail com (Jon Collins, SWL, Birmingham UK, April 19, DX LISTENING DIGEST) WTFK! Evidently a ham station

** AUSTRALIA. End of Ozyradio on SW --- Hi folks, I recently received

official word from Craig Allen that he has sold his Sydney SW licences & SW equipment to Peter Tate, Qld, (looks like licence transfer happened late last year?) who has held a number of narrowcast radio licences for a long period of time (mainly x-band).

So that's the end of Ozyradio on SW (maybe Vintage FM as well on SW). It's not presently known what Peter intends to do with his new HF licences. Peter has had an unused SW licence on 2368.5 kHz in Qld since the year 2002.

To those few issued with specially designed (3 designs) Ozyradio e-QSLs, enjoy them - they're rare.

Ozyradio's radio first broadcasts on SW began officially from Schofields, (north western Sydney) on 3210 & 5050 kHz from a block of land filled with tall eucalyptus trees. 3210 used an inverted V dipole; a telegraph pole supported the apex. And 5050 was a NVIS arrangement consisting of a horizontal dipole and a reflector wire running along the ground underneath. The Eucalyt trees supported the antennas and these were tensioned at the ends with large plastic chemical containers filled with water. The transmitters were housed in small metal clad building resembling something akin to a shipping container. The site was secured with security mesh fencing and fiercely guarded by a couple of goats and bees ;-)

I recall that one of the transmitters was the ex ARDS SW from Humpty Doo, NT. I had a look at Peter's Station X website:

Station X - Australia - The Greatest Hits World Wide
View on http://www.stationx.com.au

He's already got his 3 SW frequencies listed as outlets for Station X programming. Plenty of Aussie narrowcast stations like to list their vacant channels as 'seamingly' on air (Ian, Aus, Message to DXLD YG, April 22, via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I.e. frequencies shown are 2368, 3210, 5045 (gh, DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. 9580 & 12085, April 17 at 1330, RA is still carrying `Keys to Music` during this hour on Friday, this week featuring Bach Cantatas and the stories behind them (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

From past two weeks all transmissions of ABC Radio Australia in Tok Pisin Mon-Fri and French Mon-Fri are probably cancelled [NOT]
0630-0700 on 15240 SHP 100 kW / 030 deg to NPac Tok Pisin Mon-Fri
0630-0700 on 15240 SHP 100 kW / 030 deg to NPac English Sat/Sun

0630-0700 on 15415 SHP 100 kW / 355 deg to EaAs Tok Pisin Mon-Fri
0630-0700 on 15415 SHP 100 kW / 355 deg to EaAs English Sat/Sun
0630-0700 on 17840 SHP 100 kW / 070 deg to EPac Tok Pisin Mon-Fri
0630-0700 on 17840 SHP 100 kW / 070 deg to EPac English Sat/Sun

0800-0805 on 15240 SHP 100 kW / 030 deg to NPac French Mon-Fri
0800-0805 on 15240 SHP 100 kW / 030 deg to NPac English Sat/Sun
0800-0805 on 15415 SHP 100 kW / 355 deg to EaAs French Mon-Fri
0800-0805 on 15415 SHP 100 kW / 355 deg to EaAs English Sat/Sun
0800-0805 on 17840 SHP 100 kW / 070 deg to EPac French Mon-Fri
0800-0805 on 17840 SHP 100 kW / 070 deg to EPac English Sat/Sun

0900-0930 on 9580 SHP 100 kW / 070 deg to EPac Tok Pisin Mon-Fri
0900-0930 on 9580 SHP 100 kW / 070 deg to EPac English Sat/Sun
0900-0930 on 12065 SHP 100 kW / 355 deg to EaAs Tok Pisin Mon-Fri
0900-0930 on 12065 SHP 100 kW / 355 deg to EaAs English Sat/Sun
0900-0930 on 12085 SHP 100 kW / 030 deg to NPac Tok Pisin Mon-Fri
0900-0930 on 12085 SHP 100 kW / 030 deg to NPac English Sat/Sun
My last videos of Radio Australia in Tok Pisin and French:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/cancelled-broadcasts-of-abc-radio.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Apr 21, dxldyg via DXLD)

These have not been cancelled but have been heard one hour later since the clock change in Australia on 5 April (winter time in Australia runs from 5 April until 4 October 2015). Tok Pisin is now at 0730-0800 and 1000-1030, French is now at 0900-0905 ñ all Monday-Friday. I presume they will be one hour earlier again when Australia reverts to Summer time on 4 October. 73s (Dave Kenny, BDXC, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

?? As I already said in time for DXLD 15-15: ``April 9 was a Thursday, so is the point that they just missed one, or token French of 5 minutes x 5 days a week is canceled? Or maybe retimed due to irrelevant DST going off in Oz? (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)``

CORRECTION: New time for transmissions of Radio Australia in Tok Pisin and French; all have been heard 1h later since clock change on April 5 [and all SHP 100 kW, of course]
0730-0800 on 15240 / 030 deg to NPac Tok Pisin Mon-Fri, ex 0630-0700
0730-0800 on 15240 / 030 deg to NPac English Sat /Sun, ex 0630-0700
0730-0800 on 15415 / 355 deg to EaAs Tok Pisin Mon-Fri, ex 0630-0700
0730-0800 on 15415 / 355 deg to EaAs English Sat /Sun, ex 0630-0700
0730-0800 on 17840 / 070 deg to EPac Tok Pisin Mon-Fri, ex 0630-0700
0730-0800 on 17840 / 070 deg to EPac English Sat /Sun, ex 0630-0700

0900-0905 on 9580 / 070 deg to EPac French Mon-Fri, ex 0800-0805
0900-0905 on 9580 / 070 deg to EPac English Sat /Sun, ex 0800-0805
0900-0905 on 12065 / 355 deg to EaAs French Mon-Fri, ex 0800-0805

0900-0905 on 12065 / 355 deg to EaAs English Sat /Sun, ex 0800-0805
0900-0905 on 12085 / 030 deg to NPac French Mon-Fri, ex 0800-0805
0900-0905 on 12085 / 030 deg to NPac English Sat /Sun, ex 0800-0805

1000-1030 on 9580 / 070 deg to EPac Tok Pisin Mon-Fri, ex 0900-0930
1000-1030 on 9580 / 070 deg to EPac English Sat /Sun, ex 0900-0930
1000-1030 on 12065 / 355 deg to EaAs Tok Pisin Mon-Fri, ex 0900-0930
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1000-1030 on 12085 / 030 deg to NPac Tok Pisin Mon-Fri, ex 0900-0930
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Full updated schedule of ABC Radio Australia until October 4 may be found here
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/abc-radio-australia-and-abc-northern.html
(Ivo Ivanov, April 21, dxldyg via DXLD) It pays to actually check the schedule rather than jump to conclusions (Paul, NZ, HCDX via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. 15415, April 22 at 0625, R. Australia is playing IS ``Waltzing Matilda`` over and over here past 0631, while the other two frequencies, better for us anyway, 17840 and 15240 are in normal programming, `Late Night Live`. Then arrived reports from many other monitors about this, same thing on 12065, same transmitter after 0900, even past 1900 UT! S. Hasegawa reports to the DXLDyg: ``Returned to normal at about 0200 UT [April 23]. de Hiroshi. Japanese DXer received the email "that was a switching error" from Radio Australia``. Which means this was going on for at least 19.5 hours! And nobody at the station noticed! Next night at 0655, 15415 with `LNL`, unMatildaed (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

12065, RA, 1151-1215, April 22. Non-stop Waltzing Matilda loop; not // to programming on 9580 // 12085. One day anomaly? (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The same noted here today the 22nd on 15415 at 0655 UT and through the hour. 17840 (fair to good) and 15240 (poor with some flutter) were in parallel with 'usual' programming. Could it have anything to do with the dropping of French/Tok Pisin that is reported by Ivo? Both transmitters are using a 355 deg beam (Noel R. Green (NW England), ibid.)

ABC Radio Australia at 0741 Waltzing Matilda on 15415, Tok Pisin 15240 and 17840. Waltzing Matilda also at 1440 UT on 12065; videos will be uploaded later today:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/cancelled-broadcasts-of-abc-radio.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I am hearing the Waltzing Matilda interval signal on 12065, R

Australia at 1545 GMT. Is this usual or a breakdown? (J Kempster, London, IC718, Helical vertical, April 22, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

http://www.short-wave.info/index.php shows Australia from Shepparton on this QRG from 0930 to 2048 (Stuart Satnipper, ibid.)

That is too precise; it`s just about 0900-2100. Or was (gh, DXLD)

They must have a problem with the feed on 12065, as the other two frequencies, 9580 and 12085 (both very weak here) are carrying music. Much stronger signal on 12065 but still with continuous Waltzing Matilda at 1615. 73s (Dave Kenny, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

April 22, ABC Radio Australia, Waltzing Matilda 1524 on 12065 kHz and continues:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/cancelled-broadcasts-of-abc-radio.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

Still transmitting interval signal at 1825. 12065 very strong here in London. JK (Jonathan Kempster, UK, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Still waltzing at 1920 UT. Strong signal in Middlesex (Gabby Simmonds, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

Returned to normal at about 0200 UT [April 23]. de Hiroshi. Japanese DXer received the email "that was a switching error" from Radio Australia (S. Hasegawa, Japan, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. Brandon Bits - [SWSites 10th Anniversary contribution]

I've been attempting to procure some further material about the former Radio Australia SW TX site at Brandon for our group's 10th anniversary. I've posted some pics of the transmitter site as kindly forwarded by Rick Lucas, USA just weeks ago. Check out our photo section.

Further to that, I'd been wondering whatever happened to the former Log Periodic that was initially installed and commissioned on site when the SW service from Brandon commenced. The LP and the initial SW transmitters were procured from the former Lyndhurst transmitter site after it closed for usage at Brandon.

I'm aware that the LP was damaged just a short time after it was installed on site from a cyclone, then repaired again. Looking at GE imagery I'm unaware of where the LP was located on site. I contacted Nigel Holmes recently who kindly provided some information that may be

of interest to our readers. (Ian)

Where was LP antenna located?

a) Don't know from memory - I might have a plan of the aerial layout, will have a look and let you know. It was locked off on the north-bound bearing of 010 degrees T[rue?] to PNG. There were plans to put in five aerials, 6-12 & 11-22 MHz on 010 & 080 deg. T and the log. Only the 6-12 arrays eventuated. It was planned to put in 100 kW transmitter as well. The 10 kW tx (ex-Lyndhurst) were clapped out [?] and only intended as test tx for a few months [two of them, -- gh]

What happened to the LP antenna?

b) It finished up with a local amateur in the Townsville area. It was not available when I came on the scene in (Late 1989). It was rated for 100 kW but arced and played up at much lower powers. (NH)

I'll have more info available about Brandon later on (Ian [not Johnson], shortwavesites yg via DXLD) See also RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM

** AUSTRALIA. Extended evening broadcast of Reach Beyond Australia in English:
1445-1600 on 15340 KNX 100 kW / 310 deg to SoAs, ex 1445-1530, QRM BBC 15330 [sic]
Full summer [sic] SW schedule of Reach Beyond Australia found here:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/extended-evening-broadcast-of-reach.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, April 17, dxldyg via DXLD)

15340, April 20 at 1256, RBA IS and ID prior to S Asian service, but equally mixed with Chinese CCI. Fortunately it`s just an overlap, as from 1300, RBA is in the clear, fair signal. Mostly S Asian songs first quarter-hour, 1314 announcing P O Box addresses in both India and Pakistan. Per Aoki, Tuesdays only it`s Nepali for a half hour at 1300-1330; some other days only until 1315 or other regional languages. So why would Nepalis ripe for conversion have to write to India or Pakistan? Also per Aoki, the only excuse for CNR1 to be on 15340 is to jam a 100-watt Sound of Hope transmitter on Taiwan which could be on until 1630 but fortunately must get off in time for RBA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) But see also CUBA

** AUSTRALIA. Glenn, Link may be of interest.

http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-04-22/omega-tower-australias-tallest-man-made-structure-demolished/6412100
Regards (Ian Johnson, ARDXC, Brisbane, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
See original for video, illustrations, linx

AUSTRALIA'S TALLEST MAN-MADE STRUCTURE, THE OMEGA TOWER, DEMOLISHED IN GIPPSLAND --- Updated earlier today [sic] at 5:52am

Photo: The Omega tower was Australia's tallest man-made structure. (ABC Local: Zoe Ferguson)

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Australia's tallest man-made structure, the Omega tower, has been demolished in a paddock in Gippsland. The Omega radio navigation tower stood at around 430 metres tall but after a series of explosions it was brought crashing to Earth. The defence facility was used for submarine navigation in the 1980s and '90s and was decommissioned in 2008. The Department of Defence decided to demolish the tower after a young base jumper plunged to his death last year when his parachute failed to open.

Michael Pollock from the Department of Defence said the structure was no longer needed. "From Defence's perspective, we've got to manage our liabilities appropriately and therefore it's time for the tower to go," he said.

The 300-hectare property will be decontaminated and advertised for sale.

YouTube: Omega tower comes crashing down

The demolition means a tower at the Harold Holt Naval Communication Station in Exmouth, Western Australia, is now the country's tallest structure. Tower 0, which is a radio transmitter mast, is 387 metres tall. The Q1 building on the Gold Coast remains Australia's tallest residential tower.

Australia's tallest structures
Infographic: A tower at a Naval Communication Station at Exmouth is now Australia's tallest structure. (Wikimedia: timsdad) (via DXLD)

** BANGLADESH. 4750, Bangladesh Betar - HS, 1235-1243, Monday, April 20. Usual SAARC (The South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation) news bulletin in English; poor, as was mixing with CNR1 (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BELARUS. BIELORRUSIA, 11730, Radio Belarus, Minsk-Kalodzicy, 2006-2010, escuchada el el 20 de abril de 2015 en espaÒol a locutor con boletÌn de noticias internacionales, la seÒal de portadora es fuerte pero el nivel de audio es muy bajo, emisiÛn en paralelo con 11930,

SINPO 24332.

11930, Radio Belarus, Minsk-Kalodzicy, 2010-2015, escuchada el 20 de abril de 2015 en espaÒol a locutora con reportaje sobre Bielorrusia, segmento musical, el nivel de audio es m·s fuerte, fuerte colisiÛn con Radio Riyadh en la misma frecuencia, SINPO 32432 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), EspaÒa, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, Blog valenciadx: http://valenciadx.blogspot.es/
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. BOLÕVIA, 3310, R. Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba, 2221-2229, 17/4, quÌchua, texto; 24442, QRM adj. de estaÁ„o de ponto a ponto.

4409.8, R. Eco, Reyes, 2325-2339, 19/4, castelhano, canÁ±es; 45332.

4699.9, R. San Miguel, Riberalta, 2245-2253, 17/4, castelhano, texto; 35332.

5580.3, R. San JosÈ, S. JosÈ de Chiquitos, 2156-2209, 19/4, castelhano, canÁ±es, texto; 25331, modulaÁ„o algo fraca. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. CQ, CQ, CQ; AquÌ Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano. Todas las horas son UT, desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

3310.00, R. Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba, 7/04 0910-0935, 22222, programa religioso en quechua y m˙sica himnos, ID ìRadio Mosoj Chaski; Bolivia todo en quechuaî, solo en este horario he logrado escucharlos pero con seÒal dÈbil en comparaciÛn con otras oportunidades. Ads en quechua, luego news en quechua

5952.40, R. Pio XII, Siglo XX; 1/04 2310-2340, 33333, programa en quechua musica folklÛrica y noticias, varias lego, ads en espaÒol. No dan ID.

6025.00, R. Patria Nueva, La Paz; 10/04 2340-0010, 44444, programa en quechua - espaÒol, programa noticiero en cadena con estaciones del interior. No ID.

6134.80, R. Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz; 31/03 0020-0045, 33333, m˙sica, ID "Escucha usted Radio Santa Cruz, la primera", ID ìSanta Cruz cumpliendo con la leyî. Aviso por las lluvias. ID ìPor Radio Santa Cruzî

La recepciÛn la he efectuado del 31/03 al 19/04 en compaÒÌa de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, MFJ-1025 con antena

auxiliar, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop.

NOTA: Para un mejor escucha de las grabaciones que adjunto, sugiero escuchar con los audÌfonos. Muchos 128¥s (CHASQUI DX PFA, Lima, ABRIL 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST) clips posted on the dxldyg. See also BRAZIL, ECUADOR, GUATEMALA, PERU

** BONAIRE. [Re PJB, 15-15:] Glenn, PJB3 in Bonaire is still shown in the FCC database (and presumably therefore in the ITU RJ81 and MIFR databases as well) with 500 kW. Therefore nothing prevents them from going back to that power level, presumably with radiation patterns also included in the RJ81 agreement.

As to power, the old Continental (I don't remember the model number but I can look it up if anyone cares) was a Doherty amplifier which, while efficient for its time, was a power pig by modern standards. If they operate with a modern solid state PDM or "digital" box, and particularly if they use MDCL the power consumption will be far below the old system.

RJ-81 is the Rio Agreement, commonly abbreviated that way by most everyone who refers to it. The real whole document is "Final Acts of the Regional Administrative MF Broadcasting Conference (Region 2), Rio de Janeiro, 1981." (It even has an ISBN # 92-61-01311-2!).

MIFR is the ITU Master Frequency File. I have attached the data on the station from that database. The RJ-81 database is the same, although it references the power at 500 kW. I'm not sure why the MIFR has the odd slightly increased power (for all its entries) but it apparently uses some slightly different reference (Ben Dawson, WA, April 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It says carrier power: 501.18723 kW; and Rms radiation (mV/m) 7585.8! And yes, callsign as PJB3 altho commonly called just PJB, including in WRTH 2015; they also have an FM on 89.5, so would that be PJB1 or PJB2? No calls shown for it (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BONAIRE. Farewell to Bonaire video --- Can't find this on a search of the messages, unless it's the video originally on the RNW site which is now not there.

Farewell to RNW's shortwave transmissions from Bonaire.mov

The Radio Netherlands' relay station on the Caribbean island of Bonaire lies a few hundred metres off a narrow road. A white patch on a rock is a reminder of th...
http://www.dailymotion.com/video/xrwyj5_farewell-to-rnw-s-shortwave-transmissions-from-bonaire-mov_news

(Mike Barraclough, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. CQ, CQ, CQ; AquÌ Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano. Todas las horas son UT, desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

4765.00, BRASIL, R. IntegraÁ„o, Cruzeiro do Sul; 14/04 1110-1135, 22222. NOTA: desde 1000 UT mucho ruido y no se capta casi nada. Programa comentarios varios, y entrevistas por telÈfono, m˙sica. NOTA: por momentos pierdo la seÒal y hay bastante ruidoÖ.

4865.00, BRASIL, R. Verde[s] Florestas, Acre; 31/03 2340-0010, 33333, programa avisos y comunicados, programaciÛn sobre las diferentes ceremonias por la semana santa. ID ìRadio Verde[s] Florestas (escuchar grabaciÛn adjunta).

9664.70, BRASIL, R. Voz Mission·ria, Cambori˙; 10/04 0314-0340, 22222, programa religioso, m˙sica con temas religiosos; no dan ID.

11780.00, BRASIL, R. Nacional da AmazÙnia, BrasÌlia; 10/04 0345-0410, 44444, news y m˙sica, ID al principio ìR·dio Nacional hasta [sic]î, programa Madrugada Nacional, ID. Escuchar grabaciÛn adjunta:

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** BRAZIL. 4884.97, R. Cultura, 0851, threshold signal and presumed with lengthy talk by a man. 17/4 (David Sharp, NSW, DX LISTENING DIGEST) ?? What R·dio Cultura would that be? None known on 4885 (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4915.00, 0035-0110 15.4, R Dif. Macap·, Macap·, AP, (Presumed) short Portuguese ann, mostly Brazilian songs, 0057 frequency ann, talk, 45333 (Anker Petersen, from Skovlunde, Denmark, using my AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, WB yg via DXLD)

BRASIL [selected]

4915, R. Daqui, Goi,nia GO, 2259-2312, 17/4, A Voz do Brasil, apÛs o que emitiram a ID complementada com a lista das freqs. e an˙ncios de programaÁ„o; 45433.

5035.05, R. EducaÁ„o Rural, Coari AM, 2158-2212, 16/4, missa, ao que se seguiu discuss„o sobre polÌtica nacional; 34432, QRM da R. Aparecida.

5035, R. Aparecida, Aparecida SP, 2139-2153, 19/4, missa; 25331 (!), classificaÁ„o demonstrativa das condiÁ›es de propagaÁ„o, j· que foram bem melhores nos dias 16, 17 e 18. [I suppose this one is on 5035.00 but not specified to such accuracy --- gh]

9586.85, SRDA, S„o Paulo SP, 2122-2133, 16/4, cf. // 9565 Curitiba; 45433.

15190.1, R. InconfidÍncia, Belo Horizonte MG, 1501-..., 18/4, texto; 13441, QRM adjacente de est. n„o identif., em russo, em 15195. [R. Liberty, Lampertheim, scheduled 1300-1500 only ñ HFCC --- gh]

15190.1 idem, 1932-2049, 19/4, relato de jogo de futebol Cruzeiro x V.™ Nova; 35443, e em ascens„o. QRM das PHL, atÈ ‡s 1930. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL [and non].
11855.152, BRA R·dio Aparecida. S=6 poor
11780.111, BRA RNA Brasilia, S=9+20dB 0250 UT.
11764.674, BRA SRDA S=6 heard at 0252 UT.

15190, USA RMI Africa program, signing-off at 0300 UT, but left
15190.098, BRA ZYE521 R·dio InconfidÍncia, S=6 at 0302 UT.

9819.666, BRA ZYR96 R·dio 9 de Julho. S=4 very poor signal.
9724.957, BRA ZYJ200 RB2, S=4-5 poor.
9664.661, BRA ZYE890 Voz Mission·ria, FlorianÛpolis, poor at 0316 UT. hit heavily by Vatican Radio QRM, powerhouse 0300-0330 UT, latter from SMG S=9+20dB.
9629.947, BRA R·dio Aparecida. S=4 poor at 0320 UT.
9586.851, BRA VERY ODD frequency of ZYE969 SRDA sermon by men. In background heard annoying propeller audio sound on that channel.
9565.046, BRA SRDA, weak and tiny broadcast, 0324 UT April 19.

(Wolfgang B¸schel, logs in 0230 to 0400 UT April 19 slot, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL [and non]. 11815 & 11745, April 19 at 2334, crackling spurs from 11780.1v RNA/RNB are already audible (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11711v RAE not on air, weekdays 2200-2330 UT, tuned tonight UT Tue / Wed night. But heard two wideband spurious scratchy signals of

probably RNA Brazil 11780v kHz on 11741 - center 11746.5 - 11749 kHz and 11810 - center 11814 - 11818 kHz. 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, April 21, DX LISTENING DIGEST) RAE starts 11711v circa 0000 Tue-Sat (gh)

** BRAZIL. 28475-USB, April 19 at 2240, I`m checking 10m, since the 6m DX map is showing Es over Mexico/USA, MUF 113 MHz (but no DX on FM here), F2 and/or TEP to South America up to 50.1 MHz where a Chilean station is working North Americans. I have no 6m receiver, but 10m is certainly open, only a few weaker signals I don`t pursue besides this best one: PY5DD, calling CQ 10 and seemingly in a hurry but no mention of a contest. Always gives his own call clearly fonetikally, but it`s hard for him to copy that of his contact, an N0, so could be as close to me as KS. By 2248 he`s working N9PCY in Indiana. Says his name is Edison (? a popular given name among Brazilians). No, it`s per QRZ.com lookup:
PY5DD
ADILSON BANIOGLI
PION. MITSUZUCHI TOKUDA 232 - JARDIM DOURADOS.
MARINGA, PARANA 87040590
Brazil
That`s in far southern Brasil, which is also a prime spot for TEP DX on FM from the Caribbean. No SSB at all heard on a quick scan of the 12m hamband; I don`t even bother with 11m CB (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. The Germany-based audio podcast "Hoerpunkt Lateinamerika" has a special feature on community radios in Brazil, with a special emphasis on Radio Novos Rumos from Rio.
http://www.blickpunkt-lateinamerika.de/news-details/article/hoerpunkt-lateinamerika-folge-103-sonderfolge-buergerradios.html
(Thomas Vˆlkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. TV Jornal, Recife, Ch A2 received in Portugal --- Hi, Received around 1800 UT on 17th April 2015. There's a promo around 0:20 to NotÌcias da Manh„, (Morning News) for Pernambuco state with Journalist Rodrigo Asfora. 625 line video [ch E3] can briefly be seen as diagonal lines from top left to bottom right briefly floating under the stronger 525 signal.

More information on the station here
http://translate.google.pt/translate?hl=en&sl=pt&u=http://pt.wikipedia.org/wiki/TV_Jornal_Recife&prev=search
(Hugh, Mr Hoover, Portugal, April 18, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Don`t know where in Portugal he is, but city to city distance, Recife to Lisboa is 5849 km = 3635 statute miles. It`s an all-water path grazing Western Sahara. There should be many more Brazilians on down the coast at about the same bearing (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING

DIGEST)

** BULGARIA. No signal from Secretbrod on 11600, April 16, SECRETLAND
EU News Network:
1300-1317 11600 SCB 050 kW / 306 deg to WeEu English Daily, ex Mon-Fri
1500-1517 11600 SCB 050 kW / 306 deg to WeEu English Daily, ex Mon-Fri
Brother Stair:
1317-1500 11600 SCB 050 kW / 306 deg to WeEu English Daily, ex Mon-Fri
1517-1550 11600 SCB 050 kW / 306 deg to WeEu English Daily, ex Mon-Fri
1300-1550 11600 SCB 050 kW / 306 deg to WeEu English Sat/Sun cancelled
Back on shortwave on April 17 and 18 (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via
DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SECRETLAND, EU News Network via Secretbrod back on air from April 18:
1845-1900 on 5900 SCB 100 kW / 306 deg to WeEu English Sat and then
1900-2000 on 5900 SCB 100 kW / 306 deg to WeEu German KBS World Radio
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/eu-news-network-via-secretbrod-back-on.html
(Ivo Ivanov, ibid.)

SECRETLAND. Not so good audio reception on Radio Spaceshuttle via
Secretbrod:
1800-1900 on 13800 SCB 100 kW / 306 deg to WeEu English Sunday April
19, videos
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/radio-spaceshuttle-via-secretbrod.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #906 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, April 21,
2015, via DXLD)

April 19:
Radio Spaceshuttle in English to WeEu 1802 on 13800 Secretbrod
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dKsgRAaiEvU

Radio Spaceshuttle in English to WeEu 1827 on 13800 Secretbrod
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DqaVG-zyzQQ

Radio Spaceshuttle in English to WeEu 1855 on 13800 Secretbrod
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cpMiRRQ_j_M
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. CBC EXECUTIVES LET GO AFTER CRITICAL REPORT ON HOST CASE
   By CHARMAINE NORONHA Associated Press Latest News April 16

TORONTO (AP) -- Canadian Broadcasting Corp. has severed ties with two
top executives after an independent report released Thursday found
management condoned inappropriate behavior by a disgraced former radio
host. CBC said it is severing ties with suspended executives Chris
Boyce and Todd Spence.

The CBC fired Jian Ghomeshi in October after media reports of sexual assault allegations against the radio host first emerged. Ghomeshi, the host of "Q," a popular radio show that was heard on many public stations in the United States, has denied the allegations, saying the charges stem from consensual "rough sex."

Ghomeshi faces seven counts of sexual assault and one count of choking. His lawyer has said he will plead not guilty to all charges.

The report complied by lawyer Janice Rubin found that CBC management knew or ought to have known of Ghomeshi's behavior and failed to take steps to stop it.

According to the report, for which Rubin interviewed 99 people over five months, a majority of witnesses described Ghomesi as engaging in "a pattern of behavior and conduct" that was "deeply disrespectful to employees," including yelling, belittling and humiliating others, playing pranks and cruel jokes, and in a small number of cases, sexually harassing colleagues.

The report found that managers who worked with Ghomeshi failed to investigate his behavior or take steps to stop it.

"We saw no compelling evidence that Mr. Ghomeshi was ever told his behavior would have to improve, or he would have to refrain from certain types of behavior, or else face disciplinary action including termination," the report said.

CBC president and CEO Hubert Lacroix and CBC executive producer Heather Conway apologized to the broadcaster's employees and all Canadians during a media conference call Thursday.

Lacroix called the report "troubling and disappointing," and said it pointed to lapses at the corporation.

Conway said the company will be working with the Canadian Media Guild to review the nine recommendations outlined in the report and "implement as many of those as we can, as quickly as possible."

Ghomeshi is free on $100,000 bail with numerous conditions and is due to return to court on April 28 (via Mike Terry, DXLD)

** CANADA. 990, UT Sat April 18 at 0605 UT, CBW opening news magazine, ``The Monocle Daily, live from London on Monocle 24``; little problem from usual opposite nemesis XET Monterrey; could they really be direxional south for a change??? Monocle is a new one on me, but is now one of the contributors to CBC Overnight, along with ABC, BBC, DW, PRI and RTE. Here`s the ``winter`` sked of CBC Overnight on Radio 1:

http://www.cbc.ca/radio/pdfs/R1-Overnight-Winter2015-schedule.pdf showing `Monocle Daily` [sic] really airs Saturdays only at 1-2 am. This sked claims times are Eastern, as of March 9, implying that altho for Winter, DST has been taken into account. Yet, we know better that the times are Eastern ONLY in the Eastern zone! Delayed an hour for CBW in Central, etc., etc. (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 1610, April 17 at 0507 UT, CHHA Toronto music with boosted bass beat, as I often notice, even when the signal is quite weak, thump, thump, thump. Do those locally or in the east who get it loudly and routinely, notice this? It`s a lot easier for AM stations to transmit low than high audio frequencies, but this one stands out. Perhaps it helps that there is usually no CCI with SAHs and LAHs to confuse things (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. Hi, Glenn. Just got a phone call from Wojtek Gwiazda. He is retiring from RCI after 35 years of service. He has posted a message confirming this on his Facebook page. He will be wrapping up next week. More details to come (Sheldon Harvey, April 22, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

Wojtek was the driving force behind `saving` RCI, with the RCI Action Committee, and that website occasionally updated since. In case you`ve forgotten, RCI has continued to exist as a webcast (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [and non]. JAMMERS: 9155, CNR1, 4/11, 1030. M in Chinese, VG. also // 9200 (VG), 9230 (Good), 9280 (Fair/Good), 11100 (Good). Recheck at 1125 came up with nada.

9155, CNR 1, 4/12, 1130, M in Chinese, VG. Was VG // on 9230. Nothing else heard in bandsweep from DC to blue light.

9155, CUBA, Cuban ## station, 4/13, 1045. (obviously) In progress, VG. Noted on bandscan checking for CNR1 OB jammers; None found now or during 0900-1000 hour. Also noted very poor propagation above 13 MHz. (Rick Barton, Box 1804, El Mirage AZ 85335, large outdoor random wire, indoor shortwire, Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9155 has been a CNR1 jammer frequency I have heard, later (gh, DXLD)

13980, CNR1 4/16, 0945. W in Chinese, VG.

11100, CNR1 (as jammer) 4/16, 1030. VG // 12950

7470, CNR 1, 4/16, 1140. 9155, 10960, 11100, 12950 (VG), 13980(Poor).

Been a while since I have heard the Firedragon music on any of these frequencies.

12950, CNR 1, 4/17, 1120. W in Chinese. VG. //s on 11100 (Fair), 11435 (VG), 7470 (Weak), 9155 (Weak). (Rick Barton, Box 1804, El Mirage AZ 85335, large outdoor random wire, indoor shortwire, Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CNR1 jammers morning of April 17:
13980, April 17 at 1243, CNR1 jammer, fair with flutter
12950, April 17 at 1245, CNR1 jammer, fair with flutter; none in 14s

16100, April 17 at 1408, CNR1 jammer, very poor, flutter; no 15 OOBs
17760, April 17 at 1408, CNR1 jammer, good with flutter
EiBi has these matched up:
17760 1400-1500 2467 CHN CNR1 Jammer M FE
17760 1400-1500 2467 USA Voice of America TB FE /THA-u
Days 2467 in his system = Tue/Thu/Sat/Sun, but this is Fri!

Aoki version, where days 1.3.5.7 = Sun/Tue/Thu/Sat, but this is Fri!
17760*VOICE OF AMERICA 1400-1500 1.3.5.7 Tibetan 250 321 Udon Thani THA 1725N 10245E VOA/IBB a15

I can`t tell if VOA is really there under the jamming, but the ChiCom sure think it is; or are they suitably confused by the day-of-week jumparound? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17485, CNR1 (jammer) 1435 17 April. Very weak this morning vs. unheard VOA Tibetan (14-15). (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach CA, G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12950, CNR 1, VG, with //s 7470 (Poor), 9155 (Poor), 9200 (Fair), 9390 (Fair), 13870 (Excellent). (Rick Barton, Box 1804, El Mirage AZ 85335, large outdoor random wire, indoor shortwire, Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Date & time missing, either 4/17 or 4/18 (gh)

9200, April 18 at 1251, CNR1 jammer, very poor; none others audible in the low-9s, and no complete bandscan undertaken today (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

21485, 19/04 1002, CNR1 Jammer, ? Px M 45544 [M = Mandarin, or what?]
21695, 19/04 1005, Voice Of America, PHL-Tinang, QRM Jammer Px Chi [Chi = Chinese generically, not necessarily Mandarin??] 42522 73 da (Nino Marabello, QTH Treviso, Italia, RX: SONY ICF SW7600G, Ant.: esterna VHF azimuth 090, bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

7470, CNR1, 4/19, 1140. Noted weak, with weak // on 11100, and Good

// on 7445 beginning at 1155, early to cover RTI Chinese service (English during this hour). (Rick Barton, Box 1804, El Mirage AZ 85335, large outdoor random wire, indoor shortwire, Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

16100, April 19 at 1307, open carrier, fair-good, no doubt CNR1 jammer in a break on one of its prime frequencies.

17705 & 17735, April 19 at 1308, CNR1 jammers, fair with flutter, Western classical music as often the case Sunday evenings during this hour, the original composers having no clue their output would ever be used for such a nefarious purpose. 17705 is of course vs AIR Chinese until 1315, and 17735 vs BBC Uzbek via Thailand, this semihour only.

17510, April 19 at 1308, CNR1 jammer, very poor; also vs BBC Uzbek, here scheduled via Oman.

11640, April 19 at 1311, CNR1 jammer, very poor; here vs Taiwan in Chinese. None found in the OOB 12s, 13s, 14s, 18s (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

14900, CNR 1, 4/20, 0930. W in Chinese over piano music. Noted //s 13980 (VG), 13870 (VG), 13850 (VG), 12950 (Good), 12910 (Fair), 12775 (Good), 12345 (F), 11100 (Weak), 9155 (Weak). Signal on 10960 was present, but too poor to identify.

12345, CNR 1, 4/20, 1030. W and M in Chinese. Good. //s 12775 (VG), 12950 (Good), 13920 (Excellent), 14920 (Good), 16100 (Good), 16450 (Fair)

13980, CNR1, 4/20, 1125. M and W in Chinese and ID at BoH. VG. // 13920 (VG), 13830 (VG), 12950 (VG), 12345 (Good), 10960 (VG) (Rick Barton, Box 1804, El Mirage AZ 85335, large outdoor random wire, indoor shortwire, Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7445, CHINA, CNR1, 4/20, 1155. Station came on and then went off for half a minute at 1156. Repeated a cupla times more before coming back on to stay to jam upcoming RTI Chinese service at the ToH. Good (Rick Barton, Box 1804, El Mirage AZ 85335, large outdoor random wire, indoor shortwire, Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also TAIWAN

** CHINA. 18990, Wed April 22 at 1348, noise jamming, in addition to CNR1 // 11785. At 1400 still hear the noise, but CNR1 is off. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA, CHINA, (& MYANMAR?). 7200. As early as 1045, while trying

for Myanmar, I heard two stations ó one fair in Chinese and the other poor in a language I couldnít identify but hoped was Myanmar. But at 1100, CNR tones were heard from the weaker station just slightly behind those of the dominant station. The two sets of tones were also heard at 1200 and 1300. The first time I heard this was in early April, but it wasnít unusual so I didnít make any notes ó I just kept listening for Myanmar. The first time I made any notes was on April 7 because on that date, after hearing both sets of tones at 1300 or 1400 (unfortunately I failed to note the time), I heard only one program ó but with an ìechoî. Perhaps both transmitters began broadcasting the same program at that time. I also occasionally heard another barely audible station on the frequency ó possibly Myanmar. This is a difficult frequency as hams are present much of the time (Wendel Craighead, Prairie Village, Kansas, USA, April 17, cumbre dx yg via DXLD)

** CHINA [non]. CRI (Via Cuba), 9570, 4/20 with excellent signal, heard at 0043 UT with "Postcard" program -- events and life stories from various countries which included: Increased tourism of Iceland; a robot cafÈ that serves food and drink in Tokyo, Japan; and a rooftop tour in Stockholm, Sweden where tourists walk across roofs wearing helmets and safety lines; Chinese language phrase at 0055 (Larry Zamora, Garland, TX, DX LISTENING DIGEST) UT Monday

** CONGO DR. Kinshasa, 5066.3, R. TÈlÈ Candip, Bunia, 1819-1852, 19/4, dialecto local, chamadas de ouvintes, m˙sica pop' afric., texto; 35343. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 15700, April 16 at 1356, RHC music, Spanish outro to `Despertar` show, // 15730. 15700 should have been open carrier leadup to CRI English relay, to which it suddenly did switch at 1400, but as if caused by the program feed switch, transmitter then starts cutting off the air and back on, 1401 stays more or less on.

15730, April 21 at 1343 UT, NO signal from RHC`s new frequency, altho 15700 CRI relay carrier is already on strong.

15340, at 1357 I find RHC here atop Reach Beyond Australia! 15340 is an old RHC frequency but not on latest schedule; it`s // 15370 and sounds a bit stronger than that, which is plenty. Recheck at 1415, now 15340 is clear again for RBA, so maybe a mistake by RadioCuba; ensuing, however, no resumption of 15730 past 1430 chex altho sked until 1500 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11640, 4/18 0220, RHC, Hab, in SS; cma abt human rights violation in Israel; ID, 45444 (JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier_JRX, Receivers: Degen 1103/ Tecsun S-2000, Cabedelo, Brazil, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

Your typo or theirs? Supposed to be 11670 (gh, DXLD)

** CUBA. RHC/Radio Cuba TX sites & BCDX Notes; About Bejucal RHC SW TX site. A look at WRTH 2015 reveals that this site is no longer listed. It was speculated by some that this site was no longer active. I think (perhaps?) based on GE imagery showing no transmitter building. Well, it was later proven by our group that the building was located underground. Also our member Lev indicated that guards were still at guard posts some 1 km from the site building some recent years ago. There was no official info proving if RHC was or wasn't still using the Bejucal site that I'm aware of.

Well, recent info obtained from Wolfy via Arnie at RHC shows all three RHC/Radio Cuba sites as active and as a super bonus we have the transmission schedule showing these sites. Miracles do happen! Thanks so much Wolfy :-) I include extracted notes from Wolfgang's two most recent BCDX newsletters. Regards (Ian, April 18, shortwavesites yg via DXLD) As already published in DXLD 15-15 (gh)

** CUBA. AMIGOS DE RADIO EXTERIOR DE ESPA—A
Programa n∫ 27 del 19 de Abril 2015
LOS DOMINGOS, DE 01:00 A 02:00 UTC

Amigos de Radio Exterior de EspaÒa es un programa semanal de 55 minutos de duraciÛn, que dirige y presenta Antonio Buitrago. Es un espacio informativo que aborda las telecomunicaciones, la radio y los entornos digitales.

RESUMEN DEL PROGRAMA DE ESTA SEMANA: EL PADRE DE LA RADIO CUBANA

Manuel ¡lvarez ¡lvarez, conocido como ManolÌn ¡lvarez, se fue en 1905 de su aldea asturiana para hacer las amÈricas. RecalÛ en Cuba, primero en La Habana y finalmente en CaibariÈn. Inquieto y apasionado por la electrÛnica, conociÛ las experiencias de Marconi sobre radio telefonÌa. En 1917, fabricÛ un transmisor y receptor en CaibariÈn y transmitiÛ las primeras seÒales de radio. En 1920, creÛ la estaciÛn 6EV y comenzaron las primeras emisiones regulares en la isla.

El periodista cubano Jes˙s DÌaz Loyola ha escrito CrÛnicas del Caribe (Stella Maris), donde reconstruye las memorias del pionero de la radio en Cuba. Es una biografÌa de ManolÌn ¡lvarez, y es la historia y desarrollo de la radiodifusiÛn cubana. TambiÈn es la crÛnica de la propia Cuba y el testimonio de la evoluciÛn de la m˙sica popular de la isla. CrÛnicas del Caribe recibiÛ el accÈsit del I Premio Stella Maris de BiografÌa HistÛrica.

Se emite por satÈlite, Internet y para EspaÒa por TDT
DirecciÛn electrÛnica: amigosree@rtve.es

En la p·gina web de REE, se puede escuchar este ˙ltimo asÌ como los anteriores:
http://www.rtve.es/alacarta/audios/amigos-de-radio-exterior-de-espana/

Adem·s desde "PROGRAMAS DX", en cualquier dÌa y a cualquier hora:
http://programasdx.com/amigosderadioexterior.htm

Si desea escuchar otros espacios diexistas en espaÒol lo puede hacer en:
http://programasdx.com/

Programas DX en facebook:
https://www.facebook.com/programasdx

Programas DX en twitter:
https://twitter.com/programasdx

Cordiales 73 (Programas DX, noticiasdx yg via DXLD)

** EAST TURKISTAN. 15445, April 19 at 0432, nice music show with songs sounding like Russian, good with flutter, and // 15665 about the same. HFCC shows these are CRI Russian at 04-06, 500 kW, 308 degrees from Kashgar on 15445, Urumqi on 15665 (so if I had compared, they probably would have been out of synch). 0454 finally Russian announcements, and 0457 some Chinese music fill for a change (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 13760, CRI (via Kashi-Saibagh), 4/15, 1645. M in English until mixing with DPRK IS before the hour, then covered by the Voice of Korea sign on. Fair / Good (Rick Barton, El Mirage AZ, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Commies vs Commies! (gh, DXLD)

** ECUADOR. CQ, CQ, CQ; AquÌ Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano. Todas las horas son UT, desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

6050.00, R. HCJB, Quito; 7/04 2340-0010, 44444, programa en quechua - espaÒol, programa noticiero en cadena con estaciones del interior.

La recepciÛn la he efectuado del 31/03 al 19/04 en compaÒÌa de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, MFJ-1025 con antena auxiliar, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop. Muchos 128¥s (CHASQUI DX PFA, Lima, ABRIL 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
See also BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, ECUADOR, PERU

** EGYPT. 9965, R Cairo, English, Arabic music and YL announcer in

English in marginally understandable modulation for a change. Still lots of hum and weakish modulation despite the S9-S9+20 signal but NOT total mumble-mouth tonight. Transmitter cut out for a full minute at 0020. Pips leading up to 0030:22 (close but no cigar, folks) continuing in Arabic with even weaker voice modulation. 44+442+ 0018-0033 11/Apr (Ken Vito Zichi, Williamston MI, Heathkit SB-310, Drake SPR4, MARE Tipsheet 17 April via DXLD)

12070, April 17 at 0058, R. Cairo, good signal in music, then Spanish? suptorted.

11935++, April 18 at 0124, open carrier/dead air, no het but slightly on the hi side, fair with flutter. Must be R. Cairo rather than RB2 Brasil, apparently off.

12070+, April 18 at 0125, R. Cairo in suptorted Spanish on VG signal level. Slightly on the hi side but not as far off as 11935. The Spanish is axually partially readable! 0125 ``Radio El Cairo presenta`` --- pause for several seconds of musical theme --- ``EfemÈrides --- un programa semanal``. This format for opening programs applies across the board in Spanish and other languages, and IIRC Turkey does it as well.

9965+++, April 18 at 0126, R. Cairo, very good in Arabic, not distorted but with perpetual whine; further off frequency than 12070 and 11935.

9315.0, April 18 at 0126, R. El Cairo, fair in Spanish, not too distorted, and not off-frequency for a change.

11913, April 19 at 0138, what`s this? Open carrier, or rather just barely modulated and suptorted, ‡ la Radio Cairo style on various frequencies. VG signal level at 43-57 dbu on the PL-880 with short random wire. See previous report of a wide R. Cairo blob around here blocking 11905 Sri Lanka et al., but this time it`s not a problem to adjacent weak 11905 nor to 11920 WRMI with Taiwan, which is at 49-63 dbu. Also this time, there is no signal from Egypt or Brasil on 11935, so probably that transmitter, but I cannot get an audio match to any of the other Cairo frequencies:

12070, April 19 at 0141, R. Cairo with Qur`an, VG level but suptorted

9315, April 19 at 0142, NO signal from R. Cairo Spanish where there ought to be and usually is one

9965, April 19 at 0145, R. Cairo, with Arabic talk and music
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9965.000, Even frequency surprisingly. Radio Cairo in Arabic logged on US east coast remote SDR unit at S=8-9 signal level at 0307 UT April 19, two female talk (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDentified with Arabic music, test of R. Cairo on April 19:
1130-1210 on 9964.7 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg to NEAm
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/unidentified-with-arabic-music-probably.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

?? Then it isn`t unidentified. More of this at UNIDENTIFIED (gh)

UNIDentified station, probably test of Radio Cairo, long Arabic songs:
0945-1025 on 9964.7 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg to NEAm, low audio on Apr.21
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/unidentified-station-probably-test-of.html

Test of Radio Cairo, part two on April 21:
1245-1255 on 9964.7 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg NEAm Indonesian Radio Cairo
// frequency 15710.0 ABS 250 kW / 091 deg SEAs Indonesian Radio Cairo
1255-1305 on 9964.7 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg NEAm Arabic Radio Cairo GS?
not//1300 on 15535,2 ABS 250 kW / 241 deg WeAf Arabic Radio Cairo A15
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/unidentified-station-probably-test-of.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, April 21, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

11935, April 20 at 0058, open carrier/dead air, presumed R. Cairo back on frequency instead of 11913 last night. JBA modulation underneath it and a JBA LAH, presumably from RB2, Brasil.

12070, April 20 at 0059, R. Cairo good signal with Qur`an, slightly distorted but not undermodulated

9315, April 20 at 0106, R. Cairo is on instead of missing 24 hours earlier, poor signal with hum, undermodulated Spanish // 12070

9965, April 20 at 0111, R. Cairo, Arabic, good with whine.

Wolfgang B¸schel was monitoring R. Cairo about the same time, via an SDR in Boston and measured them: 12070.028; 9315.0; 9965.254; but no log of 11935v (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Test of Radio Cairo 1245-1300 on 9964.6 kHz on April 22:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/unidentified-station-probably-test-of.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA [non]. 15190, WRMI, 9-APR at 2201Z+ Okeechobee FL, Radio Florida Network [sic], on tune-in heard ìAllelulia Allelulia Allelulia [sic3] Jesus Christî singing to a male English ID at 2202, then Golden Age of Radio rebroadcasting a dramatic NBC sci-fi style X Minus One radio show focusing on a tongue-in-cheek knock-off on Orson Wellesí iconic 1938 War of the Worlds: this involved Martians in a Macyís parade in downtown NYC, then more religious singing and instrumental. SIO~433/het/QSB & finally unintelligible by 2236Z (Tom Root, Flushing MI, SONY ICF-2002 + stock whip, R75 + 160í indoor wire + Clifton Z1501F, MARE Tipsheet 17 April via DXLD)

(X-1) at 2200 seems to be a staple of R. Africa Network, kinda off-topic for gospel huxters. Any more credits to Isaac Asimov (Atheist)? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15190.07, Radio Africa via WRMI Radio Miami Int'l; 2239-2301+, 18-Apr; continuous electronic music to 2258 "Thank you for listening to Radio Africa's inspirational program." (Electronic music is sooooooooo inspirational.) 2259 abruptly into English Jeezus huxter to 2259+ RA/WRMI spot and back to huxter at ToH. SIO=4+33+ w/hum + co-channel Portuguese talk & music - presume ZYE622; I believe Brasil is slightly higher in frequency (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ERITREA. 7175, V of Broad Masses (Dimtsi Hafash), Asmara-Selea Daro, 1747-1752, escuchada el 18 de abril de 2015 en ·rabe a locutora con noticias, pequeÒos segmentos musicales, SINPO 32432 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, SacaÒet (CastellÛn), EspaÒa, 1011m altitud, Latitud: 39.8667, Longitud: -0.7167, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNID Eritrean station in Tigrinya 1500-1830 on 7200, co-ch VIRI IRIB German 1723-1820 not // with other VOBME in Amharic 1500-1830 on 7175
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/unid-eritrean-station-in-tigrinya-on.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, April 17, dxldyg via DXLD)

7200.021, probably from Asmara, HoA music, 0356 UT April 19, but heavy QRM by ham radio operator K8BZ station on ham radio contest action (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNID Eritrean station in Tigrinya 1500-1830 on 7200, co-ch VIRI IRIB German 1723-1820, not // with other VOBME in Amharic 1500-1830 on 7175
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/unid-eritrean-station-in-tigrinya-on.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #906 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, April 21,

2015, via DXLD)

VOBME has two main domestic programs, plus two more on FM, so it`s not surprising another has appeared on SW (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ERITREA [non]. CLANDESTINE, 13800, Dimtse R. Erena, Apr 12 1759-1800*, 35332, Tigrigna, Eritrean pop, Theme sound and ID at 1759, 1800 sign off (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. 6030, Radio Oromiya, Addis Ababa-Gedja, 1753-1756, escuchada el 18 de abril de 2015 en Afar u Oromo a locutora con comentarios, segmento m˙sica Ètnica y locutor con comentarios, SINPO 24332 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, SacaÒet (CastellÛn), EspaÒa, 1011m altitud, Latitud: 39.8667, Longitud: -0.7167, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA [and non]. FRANCE, Sagalee Radio Risala-ti, Radio Risala International
1830-1900 on 15165 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Oromo Fri, videos Transmissions jammed by Ethiopia with white noise digital jamming
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/radio-risala-international.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, April 18, dxldyg via DXLD)

April 17:
Sagalee Radio Risala ti, Radio Risala Inter in Oromo to EaAf 1830 on 15165 Issoudun
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lygRObM2hcY&feature=youtu.be

Sagalee Radio Risala ti, Radio Risala Inter in Oromo to EaAf 1845 on 15165 Issoudun
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9niRDZZlb6M&feature=youtu.be

Sagalee Radio Risala ti, Radio Risala Inter in Oromo to EaAf 1856 on 15165 Issoudun
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lJb1io_jVQk&feature=youtu.be
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA [non]. 15515, R. Warra Wangeelaa, Apr 18 *1500-1510, 23322-33322, Oromo, 1500 sign on with opening music, ID, Opening announce, Talk and Ethiopian pop (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EUROPE. You can also hear many European free and alternative stations via the Internet at:

http://laut.fm/jukebox
(Tom Taylor, April 16, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
Including RGI = Radio Gloria International? (gh, DXLD)

** FRANCE. [Re 15-15:] ``Radio Strike Is Ending By DAVID JOLLY APRIL 15, 2015 --- The longest strike in a decade at France's public broadcaster Radio France ended Wednesday when the last union involved in the action accepted a compromise reform plan and voted to return to work. The month-long strike ended when the CGT (Confederation generale du travail) on Wednesday joined four other trade unions that had previously accepted a compromise deal. Normal broadcasting is set to resume Thursday at 1 pm local time...``

Yes, normal programme seems to have resumed and Natalie is heard once again with her classical selection at 1405 UT on France Inter 162 kHz instead of the dreadful tape(s) they have been running. There are no French signals audible here in 'daytime' on medium wave (AM) so it would require a check on the computer for those interested. 73 (Noel R. Green (NW England), April 17, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FRANCE. 13740, Radio Francia Internacional, Issoudun, 2114-2120, escuchada el 16 de abril de 2015 en francÈs a locutora con comentarios en programa deportivo, tertulia con invitados, SINPO 55555. Este servicio parece ampliado, ya que se anuncia de 1900 a 2000 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), Spain, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FRANCE. [Re 15-15:] 13725, Radio France International with "Paris Live" in ENGLISH! Thanks to a tip from Glenn Hauser, I caught the end of this one which made it OK into Williamston. Lots of Afro-centric news but wow, was it nice to hear them again. Glenn speculates that after Global24 carrying them erratically they may have decided SW isn't dead? Who knows -- it has been a long 3 years since they were on SW so let's enjoy it! I think I need to send them a letter. Into Yankee Doodle at 0659 followed by VoA in Hausa (listed). Hot tip of the week! Kinda in the mud with my local noise, 334+42 but peaking up to fair-good. 0630-0700 14/Apr (Ken Vito Zichi, Williamston MI, Heathkit SB-310, Drake SPR4, MARE Tipsheet 17 April via DXLD)

13725, Radio France International; *0559-0605+, 15-Apr; On abruptly in mid-commentary; 0600 ID as "This is the English Service of Radio France Int'l, Paris Line [sic; Live] AM" into headlines with promo for feature on how to deal with traffic in Nairobi; 0601+ into news, mainly re Iran/Iraq. SIO=343, covered by rat-a-tat burst shortly after s/on. +++ Nothing heard on 15485 at 1630 nor 15690 at 1715, 15-Apr (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in

real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[Re 15-15:] Radio France International (RFI) English Service heard back on shortwave this morning 0600-0658 UT on 13725 kHz (via Issoudun). Programme IDed as 'Paris Live AM' targeting Africa as most news items, newspaper reviews and reports, etc., were about Africa (e.g. report from Nairobi on matatus (mini-buses)). Weak but clear at 0600, signal strength improving slightly by 0658, listening just on Sony 7600GR portable plus telescopic aerial. Blocked at 0658 by VOA signing on for its Hausa transmission via S„o TomÈ. Good to hear RFI in English on shortwave again! (Alan Pennington, Caversham, UK, Sony 7600GR, telescopic, April 16, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

RFI. Thanks to Glenn for first spotting the revival of the English shortwave broadcast at 0600. Other changes have also taken place to the RFI web stream. "Paris Live AM", is broadcast live from 0400 to 0430, 0500-0530, 0600-0700 and 0700-0800 UT, with a new afternoon broadcast "Paris Live PM" at 1400-1500 and 1600-1700. At other times, the webstream relays audio of the English language TV channel France 24. The listener's programme "The Sound Kitchen" is now aired Saturdays at 0615, 0715, 1445 and 1645 (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, April 19, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD) With competitions, unknown prizes (gh)

Excellent reception of Radio France International in English on SW: 0600-0658 13725 ISS 500 kW / 170 deg WCAf, new A-15, 6 videos Apr 15: http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/excellent-reception-of-radio-france.html (DX RE MIX NEWS #906 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, April 21, 2015, via DXLD) Viz.:

April 15:
Radio France International in English to WCAf 0601 on 13725 Issoudun
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RJvmATMn6IA&feature=youtu.be

Radio France International in English to WCAf 0608 on 13725 Issoudun
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x83JROsxEXk&feature=youtu.be

Radio France International in English to WCAf 0625 on 13725 Issoudun
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aeG8mcUTdpA&feature=youtu.be

Radio France International in English to WCAf 0638 on 13725 Issoudun
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_L34cbRuX8c&feature=youtu.be

Radio France International in English to WCAf 0648 on 13725 Issoudun
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mrKi3LvUqSA&feature=youtu.be

Radio France International in English to WCAf 0657 on 13725 Issoudun
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cx8dWrIizZ4&feature=youtu.be
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FRANCE [and non]. 17850, April 22 at 1921, I can tell RFI is on here, but under heavy ACI from 17855 much stronger REE SPAIN. HFCC shows RFI scheduled at 18-20, and REE from 20 on weekdays --- but REE times are erroneous, in local UT+2 rather than UT, so really also starting at 1800!! Meanwhile, dozens of unused frequencies are available on the 16m band. Such incompetence! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. RIP AFN Frankfurt/Main. Three masts soon blown up.

Ex-872/873. RIP, AFN Frankfurt Oberursel installation. Three masts of former AFN Frankfurt mediumwave installation will be blown up soon. Next week Thursday, April 23 at approx. 11 UT, blown up of the former AFN Frankfurt Oberursel Weisskirchen mediumwave installation. Source: <https:\\twitter.com/dxbruelhart/status/588614376803860480>

Die Antennen des abgeschalteten AFN-Senders 873 Oberursel - Am Weisskirchner Berg werden am Donnerstag 23.4.2015 um ca. 13hr CEST gesprengt (Christian Bruelhart-SUI, via twitter April 16)

872 kHz AFN Frankfurt 150 kW screened in direction of 40 to 80 degrees, heard as a schoolboy in 1954 era with a small Stern-Radio Berlin "Kolibri_2" 1x UEL51 valve set, soon 2 years later in 1956 year heard pop mx also of DFS 904 kHz from Burg-GDR. <http://www.radiomuseum.org/r/stern_berl_kolibri_2.html> (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, April 16, wwdxc germany, BC-DX TopNews April 17 via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

** GERMANY. ALEMANIA, 6005, Deutsches Radio 700, Kall-Krekei, 1804-1810, escuchada el 18 de abril de 2015 en alem·n a locutor con comentarios, emisiÛn de m˙sica pop ligera, SINPO 23332

6070, Radio Channel 292, Rohrbach Waal, 1735-1740, escuchada el 18 de abril de 2015 con emisiÛn musical, m˙sica pop y disco, SINPO 23332 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, SacaÒet (CastellÛn), EspaÒa, 1011m altitud, Latitud: 39.8667, Longitud: -0.7167, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. There's a ham radio club that's running on 6070 AM in Germany, reportedly using the exciter from a retired international broadcast station at 10 kW. I was in the UK the past ten days and got a tip that they were going to run some Radio Caroline programming. On Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at 2029, while at Bristol, I logged them on 6070 AM running music, "Question" by the Moody Blues, IDs and DJ banter, into song by Michael Jackson. "All Europe Radio" ID at 0037. Good signal, s7/s9. They might be a good catch here in North America. (Larry Will, MD, Free Radio Weekly via DXLD)

** GERMANY. DPÿ7 Seewetterbericht and Radio MiAmigo on April 18:
0730-0800 on 9560 KLL 020 kW / non-dir to CeEu German Daily DPÿ7 Seewetterbericht
0800-1200 on 9560 KLL 020 kW / non-dir to CeEu German Sat/Sun Radio MiAmigo
1200-1230 on 9560 KLL 020 kW / non-dir to CeEu German Daily DPÿ7 Seewetterbericht
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/dp7-seewetterbericht-and-radio-miamigo.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY [non]. 15190, RADIO SANTEC via IRRS-Milan, ITALY. Full data QSL card and personal letter from Johanna Limley - Radio Santec. Received in just under 3 Months for an e-mailed report. Also sent some religious literature from the station. QSL package was mailed from GERMANY. (I thought the transmitter site for this was in ROMANIA. But the QSL card states the TX is in Milan Italy (NEXUS - IRRS).) (Robert S. Ross, London, Ontario CANADA, ODXA yg via DXLD)

Of course it`s Romania. Do SANTEC really believe that the transmitter is in Milan?? That does not speak well for their credibility. Or does IRRS keep that fact from its customers? (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** GREECE [and non]. GRECIA, 9420, Helliniki Radiophonia, Avlis, 1830-1835, escuchada el 18 de abril en griego a locutor entrevistando a mujer; se aprecia fuerte colisiÛn con VOIRI en ·rabe, SINPO 32332 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, SacaÒet (CastellÛn), EspaÒa, 1011m altitud, Latitud: 39.8667, Longitud: -0.7167, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. 9420, April 19 at 0150, ERT with Greek music and announcement, good signal on an increasingly rare appearance.

15630, April 19 at 0151, JBA, but enough to match it to ERT // 9420 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

From John Babbis: I just found this on SWLing Post. Click all of the underlined links for further information.

ERT Open shortwave schedule & news
Posted on March 11, 2015 by Thomas

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Many thanks to SWLing Post reader, Merkouris, who writes:

I've just thought that the shortwave schedule of ERT Open, published

on the 28th of February, might be of interest to you and the readers of the SWLing Post.

Here is the link in Greek and below is the translation in English [by time, region, frequency, and program]:

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0000-1500 UTC, Europe/North America,     9420 kHz, ERA Athens
1500-2400 UTC, Europe/North America,     9415 kHz, ERA Athens
1100-0450 UTC, Europe/Central America,   9935 kHz, ERA Athens
0500-1050 UTC, Central & South Africa,  11645 kHz, ERA Athens
0000-0550 UTC, Russia/Japan,            15630 kHz, ERA Athens
0600-1850 UTC, Europe/Central America,  15630 kHz, ERA Athens
1900-2350 UTC, Middle East - Australia, 15650 kHz, ERA Athens
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[I hope no one believes this imaginary/outdated schedule --- gh]

Draft Bill to Reestablish ERT?
(Photo source: AP / Petros Giannakouris)

Merkouris also included links to the following reports from Greek and English language news sources. (Source: ANAmpa.gr)

ANA - MPA - A draft bill to reestablish defunct public broadcaster ERT was released to public consultation on Monday afternoon, under the title "Regulations on issues of the state radio and television agency, Hellenic Radio and Television SA, and amendment of article 48 of Law 2190-1920."

The consultation period will end at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday.

[.]It also said it was reinstating all the ERT staff who had permanent contracts by June 11, 2013 and said a fee of 3 euros would be introduced for ERT on PPC bills and the present name of the public broadcaster ("NERIT S.A.") be replaced by ERT S.A.

[Click here to read full article.]

This is an interesting development for the Greek public broadcaster. Of course, even if the bill passes, it is unknown how this could affect shortwave radio relays. I must say that I'm impressed that ERT Open has been broadcasting on shortwave a good 1.5 years after they should have been closed down. (Personally, I hope they never go off the air as I love ERT Open's weekend music programs!)

Again, many thanks Merkouris for sharing this schedule and breaking news. Please keep us informed! (via John Babbis, DXLD)

** GUATEMALA. CQ, CQ, CQ; AquÌ Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir

algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano. Todas las horas son UT, desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

4054.98, R. Verdad, Chiquimula; 7/04 0941-1015, 22222, m˙sica himnos con motivos religiosos en forma continua. No dan ID.

La recepciÛn la he efectuado del 31/03 al 19/04 en compaÒÌa de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, MFJ-1025 con antena auxiliar, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop. Muchos 128¥s (CHASQUI DX PFA, Lima, ABRIL 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
See also BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, ECUADOR, PERU

** INDIA [and non]. 11670, AIR; 1955-2002 AIR GOS in Hindi with ID on the hour, but then Brother Scare on perhaps WHRI comes on co-channel wiping out AIR. AIR continues till 2230 (English 2045-2230) on this frequency. This clash was first noted on 4/13 from 2000-2100 daily. Thank goodness it's only one hour a day. 4/16 (Don Hosmer, West Branch MI, Icom IC-7200 + 102' G5RV dipole, MARE Tipsheet 17 April via DXLD)

15030.078, AIR Aligarh, 1048 beautiful Hindi subcontinental music with vocals by M and W during the English program. Weak and // very good 15410 Bengaluru. Hereís a link to the Youtube video.
https://youtu.be/Mt9oX66O6jo (19 April)
73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, USA, Perseus SDR, 153 foot triangular Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

15040, April 19 at 1306, fair signal with Bollywood music, i.e. Myanmarianese service of AIR at 1200-1315, 500 kW, 60 degrees from Bengaluru. Would have preferred Burmese music on this (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. AIR DRM Test Transmission with multiple programmes from SPT Bangalore towards UK/West Europe

All India Radio will be conducting trial transmission in DRM mode with multiple programmes from SPT Bangalore as per below:

Date: 20th April to 30th April, 2015
1745 - 2230 UT (2315-0400 IST) - 7550 kHz to UK & West Europe

Programme 1 = GOSIV/HINDI/GOS-V
Programme 2 = Vividh Bharati

Consequently GOS V Service from 2045-2230 UT (0215 -0400 IST) on 11620 kHz to Aus/NZ will be shifted from DRM mode to analog mode.

Please send your reception reports to spectrum-manager@air.org.in

A special QSL card is available for this DRM test transmission. ----
(Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, April 18, dx_sasia yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

** INDIA. Vividh Bharati on FM platform to address wider audience
Minister inaugurates Vividh Bharati Service on FM (100.1 MHz)
Vividh Bharati Services to cover a minimum radius of 60 kms of the NCR region

Minister of Finance, Corporate Affairs and I&B, Shri Arun Jaitley has said that the introduction of the Vividh Bharati services from Delhi, on the FM platform had addressed the content and entertainment needs of the audiences residing within the NCR region. The transmission within the minimum radius of 60 kms would enable the people to enjoy high quality rich content programs with utmost clarity transmitted by the given platform.

Technological advancement and availability on FM Mode would make Vividh Bharati and other channels of AIR available on mobile phones, car stereos and internet. This initiative would also mainstream the platform with audiences proactively offering them different program segments and keeping pace with contemporary themes on the entertainment segment. Shri Jaitley stated this while inaugurating the Vividh Bharati FM service at the AIR, New Broadcasting House here today. MoS I&B Col. Rajyavardhan Rathore, Secretary I&B Shri Bimal Julka and CEO, Prasar Bharati Shri Jawhar Sircar, DG, AIR Shri Fayyaz Sheheryar were also present on the occasion.

Reiterating the historical role played by Vividh Bharati channel in the broadcast of entertainment programs, Shri Jaitley said that the different programs had left a deep imprint on the minds of the listeners since it began in 1957. While the programming had witnessed qualitative improvement, the extension of this platform from New Delhi on the FM stream would further enhance the quality of transmission and sound reception. Vividh Bharati as a platform had created landmarks which remain predominant in the minds of the listeners. Shri Jaitley recalled some of the prominent programs that had been successfully broadcast since the last several decades. The Minister mentioned ëBhule Bisre Geet, Hawa Mahal, Jaimala for the Army personnel, Sangeet Sarita and Youth Express.í All these programs addressed the varied audiencesí needs successfully across the country.

The audience of Vividh Bharati Service in Delhi was hithertofore being beamed through MW only. Now the signal shall be available through Frequency Modulation (FM), which has stereophonic sound quality and has the inbuilt feature of becoming available on mobile phones and car stereos. A dedicated 10 KW transmitter has been installed for the VB Service Delhi and it will cover a minimum radius of 60 kms.

Vividh Bharati on FM will be available in Delhi on 100.1 MHz. This is in addition to its availability on MW 1368 kHz. Two other existing FM services of AIR are FM Gold (106.4 MHz) and FM Rainbow (102.6 MHz). AIR also has its Local Radio Station Network in Frequency Modulation.

Vividh Bharati is considered to be the most popular channel of All India Radio across the nation. While its services were available across most parts of the country on FM mode, in the 4 metros (with the highest population densities) it was being transmitted only on Medium Wave till recently. CP/ST

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Audio file of inaugural transmission :
https://soundcloud.com/alokesh-1/inaugural-txn-of-all-india-radio-delhi-vividh-bharati-service-on-1001-mhz-14-apr-2015
--- (via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, April 16, dx_india yg via DXLD)

Well, it`s about time to put it on FM! (gh, DXLD)

** INDONESIA. 4789.92v, RRI Fak Fak, 0900, blobmitter here with extremely distorted audio, first heard day prior as unID but noted again today with RRI news, very unpleasant copy and slowly drifting up towards nominal. Past re-activations of this have always been brief (only a day or two) with hugely distorted audio. Funny that this one cobbles the transmitter back to air about the same time Per˙ reappears. 17/4. Update: tried for this again at 0830 18/4 and had nothing. Not even Per˙ heard (David Sharp, NSW, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

According to Atsunori Ishida`s website, Fak2 was last logged in March of 2013 (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. From the beginning of April no signal from Voice of Indonesia:
1000-1100 on 9525.9 JAK 250 kW / 135 deg to AUS English
1100-1200 on 9525.9 JAK 250 kW / 010 deg to EaAs Chinese
1200-1300 on 9525.9 JAK 250 kW / 010 deg to EaAs Japanese
1300-1400 on 9525.9 JAK 250 kW / 010 deg to EaAs English
1400-1500 on 9525.9 JAK 250 kW / 010 deg to EaAs Indonesian
1500-1600 on 9525.9 JAK 250 kW / 010 deg to EaAs Chinese
1600-1700 on 9525.9 JAK 250 kW / 290 deg to N/ME Arabic
1700-1800 on 9525.9 JAK 250 kW / 290 deg to WeEu Spanish
1800-1900 on 9525.9 JAK 250 kW / 290 deg to WeEu German
1900-2000 on 9525.9 JAK 250 kW / 290 deg to WeEu English

2000-2100 on 9525.9 JAK 250 kW / 290 deg to WeEu French
My last recording from February 12, 2015
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/no-signal-from-voice-of-indonesia.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, April 16, dxldyg via DXLD)

I find I can never get VOI no matter how many times I can try: they are one station I have never managed to hear (Dave Harries, UK, ibid.)

Atsunri Ishida, http://rri.jpn.org
Shows last VOI broadcast was heard March 1 --

``*1000v - 2100v* (Often poor modulation or no modulation)
Mar 01 9526kHz 0945c/on-1200- (No signal at 1255) 0945-1000- ?? 1059 (CC) 1159 (JJ) 9526kHz *1305- (No signal at 1355)
Mar 02 9526kHz -----
Mar 03 9526kHz Carrier at -0800-1538.
Mar 04 | 9526kHz -----``

That about how long it`s been since I have noticed a 9525.9 carrier or a 4.1 kHz het against 9530 circa 1300 (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN. Upcoming frequency change of Voice of Islamic Republic of Iran IRIB:
1723-1820 NF 7220 KAM 500 kW / 310 deg to WeEu German, ex 7200 or
1723-1820 NF 7265 KAM 500 kW / 310 deg to WeEu German, ex 7200
// frequency 9900 SIR 500 kW / 319 deg to WeEu German
My last videos on April 15 and on April 16 over UNID Eritrean stn:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/frequency-change-of-voice-of-islamic.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #906 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, April 21, 2015, via DXLD)

** IRAN. 11925, Voz de la Rep Isl de Ir·n, Kamalabad?, 0410-0420, escuchada el 22 de abril en idioma sin identificar, probablemente en ruso, locutor y locutora con comentarios, emisiÛn musical, locutor con despedida y referencia a Teher·n, sintonÌa y fin de emisiÛn, a las 0420 comienza emisiÛn en turco, SINPO 44444. øNueva emisiÛn o emisiÛn accidental? (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), EspaÒa, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, Blog valenciadx:
http://valenciadx.blogspot.es/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Accidental, I would say, turned on transmitter too early before scheduled Turkish service on 11925 at 0420-0550, 500 kW, 2898 degrees from Kamalabad (gh, DXLD)

11945, Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran; 1948-2007+, 13-Apr; English "News Magazine" with features including; Israel-bash

mentioning "war mongering", Iran trade with Turkey and lengthy Canada-bash mentioning "new draconian measures" and "great evil" (welcome to the club). IRIB spot at 2005 after the Canada bash, into commentary re Saudi-Vietnam alliance. SIO=3+43 witih pulse burst QRM (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15300, April 22 at 1421, IRIB IS, fair with flutter, 1423 ID and sign-on in Hindi, NA, 500 kW, 109 degrees from Kamalabad (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN [non]. SECRETLAND, Radio Ranginkaman, Radio Rainbow April 17:
1600-1630 on 7575 secret / hidden site to WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri
1600-1630 on 15630 SCB 050 kW / 090 deg to WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/radio-ranginkaman-radio-rainbow.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

15630, R. Ranginkaman, Apr 17 *1600-1611, 35332-35333-35433, Somali, 1600 sign on with opening announce, Talk and music, ID at 1607 and 1610 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Clandestinas: BULGARIA, 15630, Radio Ranginkaman, Kostinbrod, 1600-1605, escuchada el 17 de abril en persa a locutora con presentaciÛn, locutor con comentarios, entiendo ìtelefonenî, SINPO 45343 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), EspaÒa, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRELAND. PCJ Media Network Plus --- This Transmission now seems to have settled Sundays 2000 to 2030 UT on RTE Radio One EXTRA (Digital Channel), (I have not seen this one mentioned on BDXC News [except by me] although I am aware it has other station 'airings') (Ken Fletcher, April 17, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

** JAPAN. 3945, R NIKKEI-2, 4/15, 1248. "We've got great music --- all day long!" (Rick Barton, Box 1804, El Mirage AZ 85335, large outdoor random wire, indoor shortwire, Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Not to be confused with VANUATU, q.v. (gh, DXLD)

** JAPAN. 6020, R Shiokaze Sea Breeze, 4/20, 1330. S/on with W in Japanese over piano music. Good (Rick Barton, Box 1804, El Mirage AZ 85335, large outdoor random wire, indoor shortwire, Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JAPAN [non]. NHK, Radio Japan (Via Singapore), 11740, 4/18 with fair reception, heard news concluding at 1211 followed by "Music Journey", a cultural program featuring musical selections paired to visits of Japanese prefectures; 1228 with frequency schedule and s/off at 1230 (Larry Zamora, Garland, TX, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15735, April 21 at 1343, open carrier, fair with flutter, i.e. Tashkent transmitter on way early; 1400 comes to life with timesignal 4 or 5 seconds late (wasn`t eyeing my watch), and sign-on NHK World Radio Japan, English relay via UZBEKISTAN. Only poor with flutter, but lux out today with no ACI from new 15730 Cuba, q.v., due to confusion in Habana putting it on 15340 instead. // 11705 Palau for Japan in English at 14 is much better here, unchecked today (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KAZAKHSTAN. KAZ Qaraturiq Image --- Yesterday I brought to the attention of members the extra photo imagery possible from within Google Maps as opposed to Google Earth.

There's never been any photo imagery (Panoramio) available within GE of the former Kazakstan SW site of Qaraturiq/Tolqin. Today with a quick search of Google Maps & Google Plus I found this rare & seemingly recent pic (posted January 2014) of the former SW TX site:

Views - Google Maps
https://www.google.com/maps/views/view/114354604965307063217/gphoto/612870653125247432 2?gl=nz

There's also another more distant colour pic of the site with snow vehicle in foreground. I don't have any close-up pics of this former TX site on file. Does anyone have any pics or links to pics of this site to share with the group?

On the subject of imagery. I believe BING MAPS have released further satellite & aerial images this month (Ian, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

** KIRIBATI. 1440, RK, 0832, good with island vocals in SBS null. This is the first time I have heard RK in over two weeks and since it's almost a daily visitor, makes me wonder if they have been off the air or with reduced power? An inquiry sent via their website bounced back as "undelivered" and the address in 2015 WRTH also didn't work. 17/4 (David Sharp, NSW, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. 2850, KCBS (via Pyongyang) 4/4, 1150. Female choir, presumably singing the praises of the wonders of the great leaders. Good.

2850, P B S, 4/8, 1240. March music, all-male military chorus. Good

this morning!

3320, Pyongyang Broadcasting Service, 4/8, 1300. Emotional M in Korean to soprano vocalist. Good. (Rick Barton, Box 1804, El Mirage AZ 85335, large outdoor random wire, indoor shortwire, Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. Clandestinas: COREA DEL SUR, 6250, Voice of Hope, Hwaseong, 1927-1928, escuchada el 17 de abril de 2015 en coreano a locutor y locutora con comentarios; se aprecia fuerte seÒal de jamming, emisiÛn en paralelo con 6518 y 6600, SINPO 22442

6518, Voice of Hope, Hwaseong, 1926-1927, escuchada el 17 de abril de 2015 en coreano, la seÒal de jamming en menos acusado, la emisiÛn es en paralelo con 6250 y 6600, SINPO 33443.

6600, Voice of Hope, Hwaseong, 1924-1926, escuchada el 17 de abril de 2015 en coreano a locutor y locutora con comentarios, tambiÈn se aprecia seÒal jamming, SINPO 43443 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, SacaÒet (CastellÛn), EspaÒa, 1011m altitud, Latitud: 39.8667; Longitud: -0.7167; Grundig Yacht Boy 80, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It is Voice of the People, not Voice of Hope, that is broadcasting on 3912, 4450, 4557, 6518 and 6600 kHz. There's also another South Korean clandestine, named "Echo of Hope". It is broadcasting on 3985, 6003, 6250 and 6348 kHz. 6250 is shared with the North Korean "Echo of Unification" (Georgi Bancov, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

Saludos cordiales, Georgi Bancov, la emisiÛn en 6250 era en paralelo con 6518 y 6600, la misma programciÛn y la seÒal jamming era m·s potente.

Voice of Hope ha intensificado sus emisiones y emite en 3912, 6250, 6518 y 6600; la seÒal aquÌ en CastellÛn, EspaÒa es muy potente y capto estas emisora con mi Grundig Yacht Boy con la antena telescÛpica. Desde hace aÒos la sintonizo; reconozco que nunca la he captado en 3912, pero puedo asegurar que la emisiÛn de ayer en las tres frecuencias era la misma. Un saludo (JosÈ Miguel Romero, ibid.)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. Special service of Furusato no Kaze --- an event held in NY "International Symposium On Human Rights Violations Including Abductions By North Korea" live relay on May 5. 1400-1600 UT on 9910 kHz
http://www.rachi.go.jp/en/archives/2015/0413gyouji.html
(S. Hasegawa, April 21, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Site TAIWAN or PALAU like regular broadcasts? KTWR also uses 9910

earlier. So will it be in English like the title? (gh, DXLD, WORLD OF RADIO 1770,)

** KOREA SOUTH. 6015, KBS Hanminjok Bangsong 1, 1016, April 21. Even with white noise jamming, am still able to make out some of the 1000-1030 music program "Pops Freedom"; in Korean with English IDs; "Now you are listening to KBS, Pops Freedom"; 1023 "Everyday English" language lesson; "It's been a long time since I last saw you" (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH. 15575, April 21 at 1354, KBS World Radio has finally attained a decent listenable signal level as we are getting closer to summer. Good and not much flutter; meanwhile US signals are JBA or absent on the band. Discussing how Korean pop singers had their songs banned in the `70s for all kinds of dictatorial objexions to the subjects or lyrix which might seem innocent-sounding. 1358 outro as ``Korea Panorama 70 Years`.

The 13-14 UT so-called ``North American`` service stays on 15575 yearound, even tho it is totally unsuitable and barely propagable, if at all, for half the year. Now maybe we will be able to hear the 3 minutes of DX news / ``listening tips`` from Kevin O`Donovan in Farmington NM, alternating with others still? Saturdays circa 1350 UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KURDISTAN [non]. MOLDAVIA, 11510, Radyoya Denge Kurdistane, Kishinev-Grigoriopol, 1837-1840, escuchada el 18 de abril de 2015 en kurdo con emisiÛn de m˙sica pop local, SINPO 44444 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, SacaÒet (CastellÛn), EspaÒa, 1011m altitud, Latitud: 39.8667, Longitud: -0.7167, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Or site FRANCE at that hour? (gh, DXLD)

** KURDISTAN [non]. Clandestina: 11510, Radyoya Dengue Kurdistane, Kishinev-Gricoriopol, 1748-1755, escuchada el 22 de abril de 2015 en kurdo con emisiÛn de m˙sica popular local, canticos sin m˙sica, locutor con comentarios, hombre recitando acompaÒado de m˙sica de fondo, SINPO 44433 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), EspaÒa, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, Blog valenciadx: http://valenciadx.blogspot.es/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KYRGYZSTAN. Surprisingly broadcast of Kyrgyz Radio in Russian, instead of Kyrgyz
1800-1830 on 4010 BI 100 kW / non-dir to CeAs, same situation 1900-1930 UT:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/surprisingly-broadcast-of-kyrgyz-radio.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, April 16, dxldyg via DXLD)

In the past I've noted Kyrgyz Radio having some programming in Russian. On 16 Apr at 1840 noted them in Russian and Kyrgyz on 4010 and parallel 4820.7 (Jari in Finland Savolainen, ibid.)

Surprisingly - is the wrong description term; often have heard many Russian language hours in Kyrghyz Radio at via Bishkek - Krasnaya Rechka, instead of Kyrghyz language (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

** MADAGASCAR. Two Swahili language services in 0344 UT slot from Talata Volonondry site:
7360, MDG Vatican Radio,
7395, MDG NHK Radio Japan, both on S=8-9 signal level, but also low audio modulation, heard in Boston-MA in remote SDR unit access. (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALAYSIA. 11665, Limbang FM via Wai FM, from Kajang, near Kuala Lumpur, 1341, April 16. It's Thursday, time for another relay of Limbang FM; scheduled Mon. & Thurs. 1310-1400; usual DJ with dedications, talking in vernacular over the normal background music; playing pop songs; very good reception; at 1359 back to Wai FM IDs and into the Limbang/Wai news. Audio with ID at
https://app.box.com/s/mg9saf5bhr71v0qnwv26zywzy2rj203q
(Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALAYSIA. 5965, Radio Klasik [non log] - As of April 16, have checked here during my mornings for the past several days, now that CRI is no longer here, but am finding nothing - no trace of any carrier on this now clear frequency (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[non-log] 5965, R. Klasik Nasional (via RTM-Kajang) 1353+ 17 April. Thanks to Ron Howard's info, Klasik is apparently off as nothing heard before CRI (Xian) *1400 in Korean. Hope this is temporary (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach CA, G5/6m X wire, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALAYSIA. 9835, RTM Sarawak FM, Kajang, 1741-1746, escuchada el 18 de abril de 2015 en malayo, emisiÛn de m˙sica pop melÛdico, cuÒa de la emisora y locutora presentando tema musical, SINPO 24332 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, SacaÒet (CastellÛn), EspaÒa, 1011m altitud, Latitud: 39.8667, Longitud: -0.7167, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Could be in Iban

** MALI. 9635, R. Mali, Kati, 1238-..., 18/4, dialecto local, texto e

entrevistas; 25342. A modulaÁ„o continua repleta de altos e baixos: um programa tem um nÌvel aceit·vel, outro pode ser ainda melhor, e outro ainda pode ser o mesmo que "falar para as paredes", porque o ·udio È muito dÈbil. O problema n„o estar· no tx, mas na fonte. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 710-, April 21 at 0620 UT, no modulation but LAH is audible from NE/SW, presumed usual variant XEDP Ciudad CuauhtÈmoc, Chihuahua, which someone measured on 709.865 as of last August (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 730, April 20 at 0619 UT, surprised to hear the NA playing, orchestral version, looping westward, a bit late after local midnight if from the UT-6 zone. 730 is normally dominated by XEHB, 50/1 kW, Hidalgo del Parral, Chihuahua, so I am even more surprised to hear an ID following for XHSOS FM 97.3 y XESOS AM 730, 25 kW (which is the FM power, AM listed as 2000/300 watts!, 24h), ``La Ranchera de Agua Prieta``, and into such music. No sign of XEHB, off now? XESOS is stronger than 100/100 kW XEX from the south. Agua Prieta, Sonora, is the border town across from Douglas in the SE corner of AZ, so in UT -7 zone, playing anthem at 11:18 pm local. On a Sunday night, maybe skewed by `La Hora Nacional`, which might have aired at 10 pm local, after which some stations patriotically play the NA rather than (or in addition to?) at midnite.

730, April 21 at 0621 UT, rechecking 24+ hours later, no NA, but ``La Ranchera`` ID with a ``siete`` in a frequency, loops west, and again no sign of XEHB, Ke Buena. Its nominal hours in the IRCA Log are only 13-01 UT, but seems I have heard it later (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

(KAZ) Nice catch with XESOS and needed here. I'll have to look. I can get past WGN with no trouble if I use USB (Neil Kazaross, IL, ABDX via DXLD)

** MEXICO. Re gh`s 950 log, XERN: "Radio Naranjera" is in an orange-producing region (Raymie Humbert, AZ, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

** MEXICO. AdiÛs a la XHIH y XHEL en la radio AM
Rayos de Sol 9 de abril de 2015
http://www.oem.com.mx/elsoldezacatecas/notas/n3767093.htm

Con mucha nostalgia desde este 7 de abril dejÛ de transmitir sus emisiones XHEL en el 610 AM y XHIH 770 AM (Amplitud Modulada) ambas radiodifusoras pertenecientes a Torres Corporativo que generÛ un n˙mero incontable de locutores, periodistas y analistas. De las viejas radiodifusoras que persistieron el paso del tiempo y que se modernizaron, emigraron definitivamente a la FM (Frecuencia Modulada)

y a la internet (via JosÈ Miguel Romero R., Spain, dxldyg via DXLD)

No saben que sus siglas verdaderas em AM eran XEEL y XEIH. En XH- tienen que ser equivalentes por FM. 73, (Guillermo Glenn, ibid.)

** MEXICO. 6185-, April 20 at 0556, open carrier, no doubt XEPPM which would have stopped modulating circa 0500, and sometimes leaves its carrier on for at least an hour. Slightly on the lo side as usual, at least compared to 3185 WWRB (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Mexico TV via Es now looks a bit different, with the analog landscape thinning out. My ch 3 I think was XHPN, as I dunno any other 3 in Es range (per Cant˙'s site) that is a "cherry picker" of Televisa nets (this one was GalavisiÛn with the Adela program). My 4 Trece could be Monterrey. But!! Still no XEFB and how I tried! All I saw on 2 was a blurry Televisa logo with the "Televisa" and likely the city underneath. I thought I'd get it for sure. Oh well. cd (Chris Dunne, Pembroke Pines, April 16, Last edited by cd637299; 04-20-2015 at 09:39 PM, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Had my first, real, E-skip event on the 18th. Low channels were loaded with Mexican stations (all posted on the WTFDA DX BB).

I saw the familiar, "Tu Canal" logo on ch 2 so, XEPM? (I thought it was off air) Also saw the, "MTY" logo pop up on ch 2. (I tried to check Danny's TV DX Tips page to verify but, sadly, my old coal-fired, steam powered computer, hooked to soup cans and a string dial-up, is no longer compatible with his site) Had other un-IDs all the way up to ch 6. Even had a ch 6 get over the pest Memphis Franken-FM channel clogger.

From this event I can hardly tell any Mexican TV stations are missing from analog. Had a few DTV pilot / sub-decode signals up to ch 4. (maybe ch 5 but, with WMC & WTVF clogging the channel, who knows). Also heard Ham ops from CO & NE on 6M. 73, (Ed NN2E, Owner / Operator - Murphy's Law Test Site & Thunderstorm Proving Grounds, Otis KY, April 20, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Cd. Ju·rez never switched off. Too few people picked up their TVs there to get 90% penetration in low-resource homes. I speak Spanish so you don't have to (Raymie Humbert, AZ, ibid.)

** MEXICO. This week`s updates on Raymie`s Mexico Beat blog:

About 18 months ago the must carry/must offer policy went into effect in Mexico for the 2, 5, 7 and 13 networks.

This created a big problem for Dish, which transmits a national feed

of each network, come election time. Obviously we all know that election commercials pop up everywhere, and Dish almost was going to have to pay Televisa and Azteca for them to create a special Dish feed with just the federal-level commercials.

Normally the retransmissions are done with the Mexico City feeds, but for election season they're going to switch from Mexico City...to TorreÛn,
http://www.informador.com.mx/mexico/2015/586838/6/resuelven-a-favor-de-dish-en-retransmision-de-pauta-federal.htm
because that city does not have any local elections or independent candidates to the Chamber of Deputies and thus is only running the federal-level commercials (Raymie Humbert, AZ, April 16, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

The IFT relaunched its website today. The new site has better search and accessibility. The Infrastructure documents weren't updated but are available from a new link:
http://www.ift.org.mx/industria/infraestructura
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Perhaps more importantly, we now have a list of every frequency Cadena Tres will have nationwide.

I've converted the IFT concession to be searchable. It is worth noting that many areas are drawn to have overlaps, and I expect SFN shadows to be a necessity for some of these. (Channel 38 Celaya-QuerÈtaro I expect to be just as shadow-heavy as XEZ and XHZ! It's also technically assigned to Morelia, but Morelia will probably get its own station.)

In Mexico City they have received channel 29.
https://www.dropbox.com/s/un0pll09ac33pw1/Asignaciones%20C3.pdf?dl=0
(Raymie, April 16, ibid.)

Another pair of new-to-air stations, both in Cd. Valles SLP:

    XHVSL-TDT 36 (8.x) Cd. Valles, SLP. Looks to be mostly in testing mode but this is the Televisa local station here.

    XHKD-TDT 27 (11.x, A13).

As Televisa's 2 and 5 were already on and there is no Azteca 7 transmitter here, Cd. Valles has digital parity.

For reference, these are the cities with digital parity as of writing time:

    Cd. del Carmen

Cd. Ju·rez
TorreÛn
Mexico City
LeÛn
Guadalajara
Puebla+Altzomoni
Toluca
Cuernavaca?
QuerÈtaro
Cd. Valles
Culiac·n
Mazatl·n
Cd. Victoria
Xalapa/Perote/Las Lajas
Valladolid-TizimÌn-Kahua
(Raymie, April 18, ibid.)

Knock me out with a feather, I'm amazed.

DOF May 12, 1980:
http://www.dof.gob.mx/nota_detalle.php?codigo=4852731&fecha=12/05/1980

"...Canal asignado: 22 (m·s).

Distintivo de llamada: XHWX...."

That's right, XHWX's concession started on channel 22(+). The authorization called for a UHF that could go up to 5,000 kW. When it went to auction, CorporaciÛn Mexicana de Radio y TelevisiÛn (the government) won it.

XHMOY was part of the Televisa concession of 1994 (XHCNL was part of the "rural stations" concession of 1987). I'm just stunned that they actually wanted to put this on the air as a U. XHMNL-28 signed on two years later.

Oh yeah, and XHBJ-57 almost happened too. That concession seems to have been mired in a legal case for most of the 70s and 80s despite having been awarded in 1969 to Canales de TelevisiÛn Populares (a Televisa concessionaire). (Raymie, April 19, ibid.)

Slow of late around here; On April 15, XHOPVT-TDT 38 began uninterrupted operation. It is, as the calls give away, an SPR transmitter; not sure how many subs it has but it definitely has Una Voz con Todos.

I think the slowness is because it's election campaign season and many governments aren't able to really do anything. For that to end we'll

have to wait until June. Keep in mind that for the same reason there
won't be any analog shutoffs until July/August at the earliest
(Raymie, April 22, ibid.)

** MONGOLIA [and non]. Voice of Mongolia announced in today's
broadcast (20 April - as heard on 3985 at 1900 UT via the Kall relay)
that from May 1st, the frequency of 12085 will be changed to 12000 to
avoid interference from Radio Australia. This will affect the 0900 UT
English broadcast (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING
DIGEST)

MONGOLIA/AUSTRALIA, 12084.875 footprint on 0925 UT April 21, Voice of
Mongolia, Ulan Bataar Khonkhor in Mongolian language on 116 degree
antenna has far stronger signal in Nagoya remote SDR unit than RA
Shepparton Australia now 09-10 UT. S=9+20 or -58dBm in Japan. wb
(Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

<http://rtbn.gov.mn> has a new mini-designed site of 2015 year,
picture of shortwave antennas at U-B at start site.
2nd program channels 4830 & 4895 kHz are still featured on the maps.

<http://rtbn.gov.mn/?page_id=431>
<http://rtbn.gov.mn/?page_id=433>
<http://rtbn.gov.mn/?page_id=94>
<http://rtbn.gov.mn/?page_id=695>

<http://www.rtbn.gov.mn/wp-content/uploads/
2015/02/2014%20%D0%BE%D0%BD%D1%8B%20%D1%85%D0%B8%D0%B9%D1%81%D1%8D%D0%BD%20%D0%B0%
D0%B6%D0%BB%D1%8B%D0%BD%20%D1%82%D0%B0%D0%B9%D0%BB%D0%B0%D0%BD%20.pdf>
(Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, BCDX April 18 via DXLD)

** MOROCCO. 9575, R. Medi Un, Apr 12 0716-0726, 45444, French, Talk
and music, ID at 0720 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-
9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. SECRETLAND, Not so good audio reception on Radio
Spaceshuttle via Secretbrod:
1800-1900 13800 SCB 100 kW / 306 deg to WeEu English Sunday April 19,
videos
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/radio-spaceshuttle-via-secretbrod.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, 1929 UT April 19, dxldyg via DXLD) See BULGARIA

** NIGERIA. 15120-, April 19 at 0437, open carrier/dead air, slightly
on the low side compared to KMOX; presumably V. of Nigeria warming up
for 0500 English broadcast. Recheck at 0504, YL news in English,
undermodulated but not distorted; 0505 dead air (or maybe some soft
music interlude?), 0506 resume talk.

15120, April 22 at 0627, VON with fair AM signal but just barely modulated, presumably English (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE-NA. WREC-Radio Free East Coast, 6949 AM, 1905-1925*, 04-12-15. SIO: 222. Program of rock music, in and out of the noise. Definite ID with Box 109, Blue Ridge Summit, PA 17214 mail-drop info at close. Nice to see this one back after a 16+ year absence! [Lobdell-MA]

PIRATE-NA. Radio Casablanca, 6940 AM, 0012-0105+, 04-17-15, SIO: 444. Rick Blaine with early 40's tunes by Jimmy Dorsey, Inskspots, Edith Piaf, etc. Full ID/email address announced frequently. Email from station alerted me to upcoming broadcast (Chris Lobdell, Box 80146, Stoneham, MA 02180 USA, Receivers: Eton E1, NRD-545, Aerials: G5RV, 40 Meter Dipole, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6940-AM, April 17 at 0100 music on very poor signal, noise from storms just west of here. This thread http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,21451.15.html says it was R. Casablanca on 6939.9 AM (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6955-USB, April 19 at 0128, pirate with jazz/blues music. Seemed a bit of a carrier too, but definitely no LSB. Periodic chex next semihour continue with music, would be a good signal but not enough to overcome all the storm noise nearby in OK. 0154 quick announcement which I miss, and into SSTV beeps, off at 0156*. These details match numerous logs here as Wolverine Radio: http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,21473.0.html including fuzzy images of the SSTV (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORWAY. NORWAY WILL SWITCH OFF FM RADIO IN 2017
Posted by timothy on Saturday April 18, 2015 @05:25PM
from the video-sought-by-police-for-questioning dept.
New submitter titten writes

The Norwegian Ministry of Culture has announced that the transition to DAB will be completed in 2017. This means that Norway, as the first country in the world to do so, has decided to switch off the FM network. Norway began the transition to DAB in 1995. In recent years two national and several local DAB-networks has been established. 56 per cent of radio listeners use digital radio every day. 55 per cent of households have at least one DAB radio, according to Digitalradio survey by TNS Gallup, continuously measuring the Norwegian`s digital radio habits.

[plus lots of discussion:]
http://tech.slashdot.org/story/15/04/18/2036239/norway-will-switch-off-fm-radio-in-2017
(via Carlos A Coimbra, Canada, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

Norway will shut down FM radio in the country beginning in 2017, Radio.no reports.
http://radio.no/2015/04/norway-to-switch-off-fm-in-2017/

The Norwegian Ministry of Culture finalized a shift date this week, making it the first country to do away with FM radio entirely. The country plans to transition to Digital Audio Broadcasting (DAB) as a national standard.

A statement released this week
https://www.regjeringen.no/en/aktuelt/radio-digitisation-in-2017/id2406145/
by the Ministry of Culture confirms a switch-off date that was proposed by the Norwegian government back in 2011.
https://www.regjeringen.no/globalassets/upload/kud/medier/rapporter/v-0951e-summaryreportno8_2010-11.pdf

The government has concluded that the country is capable of meeting all the requirements necessary for a smooth transition to digital.

"FM is eight times more expensive than DAB"

"Listeners will have access to more diverse and pluralistic radio-content, and enjoy better sound quality and new functionality," Minister of Culture Thorhild Widvey said in a statement. "Digitization will also greatly improve the emergency preparedness system, facilitate increased competition and offer new opportunities for innovation and development."

DAB currently offers 22 national channels as opposed to FM's five, and has the capacity to host almost 20 more. The cost of transmitting radio channels through FM is also eight times higher than the cost of DAB transmission, the ministry reports.

DAB has been available in Norway since 1995. DAB+, an updated form of DAB, was made available in 2007. According to the Ministry of Culture, it will be up to radio broadcasters to choose between DAB and DAB+ transmissions, although it is likely that by 2017, most broadcasting in the country will be in DAB+.

Several other countries in Europe and Southeast Asia are also considering a national move to DAB, but no other country has confirmed a timeline, Radio.no reports.

Norway's FM shutdown will begin on January 11th, 2017.
(a yahoo site via William Hassig, IL, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

The death knell of FM radio has sounded in Norway, but fortunately for listeners, that doesn't mean radio is going away.
http://www.foxnews.com/tech/2015/04/20/in-first-norway-will-shut-off-fm-radio-in-2017/
(via William Hassig, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

Norway to switch off FM in 2017
Radio.no By Av Mari Hagerup 16 April 2015

Thursday, the Ministry of Culture announced a national FM-switch off, to complete the transition to digital radio. Norway is making an historical move into a new radio era, being the first country in the world to decide upon an analogue switch-off for all major radio channels. With DAB and digital radio, listeners will be provided with more radio channels and greater diversity in content.

Thor Gjermund Eriksen, head of NRK, says:

- This is an important day for everyone who loves radio. The minister`s decision allows us to concentrate our resources even more upon what is most important, namely to create high quality and diverse radio-content to our listeners.

The DAB-coverage in Norway now exceeds FM-coverage. DAB provides Norway with 22 national channels, as opposed to five channels transmitting nationwide on FM.

Switch-off begins 11th January 2017:

The decision gives Norwegians a final date for the transition to digital radio, a process persisting for several years. Trygve R¯nningen , CEO and editor in chief P4, says:

- We can finally complete the work that has been on-going for many years. This is the best solution for all listeners throughout Norway, as they now have a better radio.

Switch-off starts in Nordland county 11th January 2017 and ends with the northernmost counties Troms and Finnmark 13.12 2017.

Coordinated:

NRK, P4 Group and SBS Radio will turn off all its FM broadcasts simultaneously in two of six regions. In four regions however, NRK Radio will lead the way in FM-switch off. Lasse Kokvik, CEO of SBS

Radio says:

- The national radio industry have agreed upon a rapid and coordinated plan for the transition, with considerations taken on not giving unreasonable competitive advantages through FM-closing.

Look to Norway:

Todayís decision makes Norway the first country in the world to set a final date for FM-switch off. Several countries in Europe and Southeast Asia, however, are in similar processes, choosing DAB-technology as the backbone of future radio distribution.

Ole J¯rgen Torvmark, CEO of Digital Radio Norway says:

- The White Paper from 2011 and a unique collaboration between the radio industry is the main reason why Norway is far ahead in the transition to digital radio. Many countries are now looking to Norway to learn.

Ensures a long life for radio:

Radio on digital platforms ensures the radio media a long life for years to come. The Radio Industry is better equipped to evolve with listener`s needs and are thus better enabled to adopt to the ever changing patterns of media consumption.

Norway began the transition to DAB in 1995. In recent years two national and several local DAB-networks has been established. 56 per cent of radio listeners use digital radio every day. 55 per cent of households have at least one DAB radio, according to Digitalradio survey by TNS Gallup, continuously measuring the Norwegian`s digital radio habits.

Regional plan for FM switch-off:

(Click the image for a bigger version) Link to the announcement For further information, please contact: Mari Hagerup, Head of communication, Digital Radio NorwayCell: 0047 920 46 088, Mail: hagerup@radio.no

Background:

Norway is in a transition from analogue to digital radio for all national channels and some local channels. Digital radio expands radio reach and multiplies the number of national channels. More than 90 per cent of the population can now listen to 22 national radio channels. The national DAB networks have equally high and partly higher

population coverage than national FM networks. DAB coverage along roads is generally better than FM-coverage .

STATS FOR DIGITAL RADIO IN NORWAY:

- 56 % of radio listeners use digital radio daily
- 44 % of listeners only use FM radio daily
- 20 % of private cars are equipped with DAB radio
- 55 % of all Norwegian households have at least one DAB radio.
- 7.9 million radio sets will be affected by FM-extinction. FM radios can be upgraded or recycled.

* Digital radio survey, TNS Gallup 2015

DAB COVERAGE:

NRK: at least 99.5 % coverage on DAB
Commercial radio: 92.8 % coverage on DAB
Community radio: 50 % DAB coverage on DAB
DAB-covarage on roads are generally higher than on FM. All FM-transmitters in tunnels will be replaced with DAB.

http://radio.no/2015/04/norway-to-switch-off-fm-in-2017/
Posted by: (Mike Terry, April 17, dxldyg via DXLD)

Pure (no pun intended) propaganda - I always thought Norway was a democracy (?). The terrain hardly favours DAB and DRM would by its 'splash' cause more trouble than not. I can see why the Norwegian radio industry (do they actually make radios there now?) is gleeful of the forced change but what of the redundant sets the population are forced to junk, the land-fill, even assuming 'rare' metals can be extracted from surface mounted component boards.

Exports of Norway only (DAB only) sets to other neighbour countries will dry up as most countries are tending to at least use FM as a fall-back, particularly in vehicles, for stations lost in bubbling mud (= low bit rate/cut out DAB) One can only assume 'brown envelopes' to government ministers is not unique in US/UK and France etc.

As an addition, the DAB facility is perhaps the way forward, but to the exclusion of all other coverage, it`s obvious the Heads of government, and it would seem, NRK are board-room, not technically trained and have made this somewhat blinkered decision going on figures of notional 'coverage', not practical fact; commercial interest and little actual audience opinion.

God preserve the UK and Eire from such limited minds (Rog Parsons (BDXC 782), Hinckley LE10 0NJ, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Norway to phase out FM by 2017? Not quite so. NRK will move from FM to DAB (174-240 MHz). The community stations remain on the FM-band. So this is not yet the end of broadcasting over the air in Norway.
73 (HÂkan Sundman, Finland, NRC-AM via DXLD)

They are not going to internet only but rather to digital only - either DAB or DAB+. Norway is already heavy into DAB, having only 5 FM's to close down (Russ Edmunds, 15 mi NW Phila, April 20, NRC-AM via DXLD)

Re: [BDXC-UK] Norway to switch off FM in 2017 --- This headline and story is misleading as *local* stations will continue on FM in Norway (in fact the article itself does say "all national channels and *some* local channels" in the paragraph titled 'background' at the end). And a separate Norwegian government press release (17th April) states:

"Local radios that do not have coverage in the four largest cities, is allowed to continue free on FM. This applies to around 200 small local radios, or nine out of ten stations."

Extract from Norwegian government press release 17 April, translated by Google. Full press release at:
https://www.regjeringen.no/nb/aktuelt/stortingsmelding-om-lokalradio-bedre-vilkar-etter-teknologiskiftet/id2406967/
(Alan Pennington, April 21, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

** OKLAHOMA. 1270, April 18 at 0555 UT, VG signal with Mexican music, looping E/W, soon ID by SHVA as ``La Zeta 1270 AM``, so KTUZ Claremore (Tulsa market), 5/1 kW U4. Day and night patterns favor ENE/WSW, not so much toward here. I could easily believe this was on 5 kW day power. Note that namesake KTUZ FM // 106.7 is way over in OKC, and the TV station on RF 29 (``30``, ``36`` or ``48`` depending on which Spanish virtual channel one views) is in Shawnee/OKC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. Hi, Glenn! Traveled to Tahlequah yesterday and Friday 4/10 for work. Checked around a bit on some of the local frequencies of interest -- between 07:30-8:15 am and 7:15-8:00 pm [CDT = UT -5]

1120 no OC or programming from KEOR [now KETU], only traces of KMOX
1340 KJMU still silent
1490 KBIX still silent
73, (Bruce Winkelman, Tulsa, OK, April 18, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1360+ & 1420-, April 17 at 1227 UT, and just about anytime, local 1390 KCRC Enid is still putting out matching spurs plus and minus almost 30 kHz, lowly hetting whatever stations may be audible on those frequencies more exactly. Pitch of the two hets

almost matches, but never quite due to loose frequency tolerances at KCRC et al. They loop toward the KCRC site (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. Sunday April 19 from at least 1300 UT, all four major OKC TV stations are covering live the 20th anniversary commemoration of the Bombing, some inserting pre-produced pieces about the survivors or descendants which have also been running for at least a week on local news shows.

Based on previous sporadic carriage of CBS by KWTV, a couple days before, I reminded them that we expect `CBS Sunday Morning`, and `Face the Nation` to be available unscathed on one of their alternate channels, 9.2 or 52.1, and indeed they are on KSBI, RF 23.

The formal program is underway by 1345 UT, for the traditional 168 seconds of silence --- except on KFOR RF 27, we can clearly hear the director calling camera shots!! That should never have been on the air. At least I assume it`s the KFOR director, altho could even be an intrusion from another station with someone`s mike open when it should not be. I don`t know the names of the various camera operators to compare.

Various long-winded speakers go right past 9:03 am [1403 UT], the exact time of the explosion 20.000 years ago. At this time, guest singer is performing ``How Great Thou Art``, and most of the speakers, with exception of Pres. Clinton later, work in heavy doses of Christian theology.

Was not a single one of the 168 victims an Atheist, Jew, Moslem, or Other? In Oklahoma, they assume everyone is a Christian; if not, shut up and don`t let anyone know. At 1407 they even have a Catholic archbishop on. Supposedly secular elected officials like Governess Fallin keep speaking about faith, etc., etc. rather than blaming their god for letting this happen (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. Radio Pakistan in Urdu, heard surprisingly again on SW:
1400-1500 15485 ISL 250 kW / 282 deg N/ME, ex 1330-1530 on 15235 A-14
1700-1800 15700 ISL 250 kW / 313 deg WeEu, ex 1700-1900 on 11570 A-14
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/radio-pakistan-in-urdu-was-heard.html

UNIDentified in Urdu, probably Azad Jammu & Kashmir Radio:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/unidentified-in-urdu-probably-azad.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, April 22, dxldyg via DXLD) WTFK?

Re Ivo's logging of Radio Pakistan. They are not on air daily, and 15485 seems not to be in use today (22nd) around 1430 UT. And only one transmitter per service has been observed for some time (when on air)

Their current "schedule" for programmes in Urdu according to a recently received booklet are:
0045-0215 on 15730 17830 to SoEa Asia
0500-0700 on 15395 17835 to ME, Iran, Turkey & North/West Africa
0830-1104 on 15320 17700 to West EUR (doesn't say if English news still at 1100)
1330-1530 on 15485 17510 to ME, Iran, Turkey & North/West Africa
1700-1900 on 11570 15700 to West EUR
and Chinese at 1200-1300 is listed for 15700 11570
All of these services were always operated by the two 250 kW units.

South Asian services always used 100 kW units but have not been on air for some time - at least, at usable quality.
0900-1000 Bangla and 1000-1030 Nepali on 11860 15105
1045-1145 Hindi 11860 9690
1145-1215 Gujrati on 11860 9685
1230-1300 in Sinhali and
1300-1330 in Tamil on 11865 9705

To Afghanistan 1345-1445 and Dari 1445-1545 on 7475
To Iran & ME 1700-1800 in Farsi on 7470 9490

The service heard by Ivo on 7265 is not listed in this booklet so is probably a domestic one (Noel R. Green (NW England), April 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PALAU. Cancelled transmission of Brother Stair TOM via T8WH Angel 4 1600-1700 on 9930 HBN 100 kW / 270 deg to SEAs English from April 20
My last recordings of Brother Stair via T8WH Angel 4 on Tue, April 7:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/cancelled-transmission-of-brother-stair.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, Apr 22, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3205, NBC Sandaun (presumed), 1152, April 16. Heard an open carrier (no audio), so assume reactivated after being off for over a year; gone by 1218. Daily I have checked here and this is the first time in a long time that I have heard anything. Worth keeping an eye on.

Update: April 17, heard 3205 with open carrier (no audio), at 1119; sudden audio at 1202, which would correspond to the start of the NBC National News audio feed from the Port Moresby studios, which provides better and stronger modulation than the local Sandaun audio; sounded like the usual news in English, but very weak; 1207*; am still calling this "presumed," as no positive ID, but very confident it's them.

3205, NBC Sandaun, 1056, April 20. Confirmed it's them, with the best

audio so far since reactivation; in Pidgin; 1101 the usual PNG bird call before the NBC news (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3365, NBC Milne Bay (presumed), 1403, April 16. Heard open carrier; by 1411 had some faint audio; very weak; probably NBC (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 7324.96, Wantok Radio Light, 0900-0957, April 21. Nice reception and fairly readable. Thanks to input from Bruce Churchill that April 22 had even better reception! My highlights:

0900 - "Good night Papua New Guinea"; NBC National News in English with item about national day of mourning in Ethiopia.

0912 - "Wantok Radio Light would like to thank the National Broadcasting Corporation for allowing us to relay . ."; ad for savings accounts at a bank ("Are you retiring soon?"); PSA ("Speeding kills . . . never forget road safety").

0918 - In Pidgin; ID, time check and list of frequencies; religious songs in English.

0930 - "Ninety-Nine is happy to bring you Focus on the Family. Ninety-Nine is a company that . . ."; into the Focus on the Family show with interview with Lori about her programs to save horses and working with abused children.

0956 - Another promo for the company "Ninety-Nine."
(Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. CQ, CQ, CQ; AquÌ Pedro F. Arrun·tegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano. Todas las horas son UT, desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

4747.60, PER/, R. Huanta 2000, Huari, Ayacucho; 10/04 1040-1106, 33333, programa sobre la salud. Ads Cooperativa Manos Unidas y otros m˙sica folklÛrica, ID ìRadio Huanta 2000î

4774.90, PER/, R. Tarma, Tarma, JunÌn; 14/04 2240-2310, 33333, musica folklÛrica en espaÒol, ads varios, ID "Por Radio Tarma", programa Antena Deportiva, ads. Anuncian aniversario de Radio Tarma por sus 57 aÒos de actividad.

4789.79, PER/, R. VisiÛn, Chiclayo, Lambayeque; 11/04 1220-1235,

33333, m˙sica pasillo, ID Radio VisiÛn, ID ìEst·s sintonizando Radio VisiÛn, una Radio para todosî. Tnx Dave Valko.

TAMBI…N 11/04 0504-0540, 33333, Iglesia Pentecostal La Cosecha, ID. 1300 ID ìRadio VisiÛnî TAMBIEN 12/04 0945-1005, 33333, Iglesia Pentecostal.... [WORLD OF RADIO 1770]

4810.00, PER/, R. Logos, Tarapoto; 19/04 1103-1135, 22222, programa La Revista Femenina (tema religioso), m˙sica. NOTA: condiciones de recepciÛn son bastantes malas en todo el mes. M˙sica himnos, varios ID, ìRadio Logosî; posteriormente la seÒal se puso muy dÈbil.

4939.98, PER/, R. San Antonio, Villa Atalaya, Ucayali; 1/04 2350-0005, 22222, comunican la programaciÛn por semana santa en la comunidad de Villa Atalaya. SeÒal interrumpida por momento; parece est·n ajustando equipo. 0001 se cortÛ la seÒal. NOTA: he podido verificar que no est·n saliendo todos los dÌas.

4955.00, PER/, R. Cultural Amauta, Huanta, Ayacucho; 15/04 1110-1135, 44444, programa religioso en quechua, musica folklÛrica con mensajes religiosos, ID ìRadio Cultural Amautaî, en quechua

5024.92, PER/, R. Quillabamba, Quillabamba, Cusco; 10/04 2245-2310, 33333. En la maÒana difÌcil escucharla; R. Rebelde la cumbre (despuÈs de tiempo la escucho sola). M˙sica folklÛrica huayno en espaÒol, avisos de fallecimientos de algunas personas de la zona en quechua - espaÒol. Ads, m˙sica folklÛrica varias, espaÒol, quechua, ID en espaÒol y quechua.

5980.00, PER/, R. Chaski, Urubamba, Cusco; 4/04 0045-0110, 44444, programa Los grandes temas (programa religioso, una producciÛn de Radio Trans Mundial), ID Radio Chaski"

La recepciÛn la he efectuado del 31/03 al 19/04 en compaÒÌa de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaÒado del Mizuho KX-3, MFJ-1025 con antena auxiliar, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop.

NOTA: Para un mejor escucha de las grabaciones que adjunto, sugiero escuchar con los audÌfonos. Muchos 128¥s (CHASQUI DX PFA, Lima, ABRIL 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST) clips posted on the dxldyg. See also BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, ECUADOR, GUATEMALA

** PERU. 4747.6, R. Huanta 2000, Huanta, 2247-2254, 17/4, castelhano, texto, canÁıes; 45343.

4774.9, R. Tarma, Tarma, 2350-2305, 17/4, castelhano, IDs, canÁıes Ìndias; 44433.

4955, R. Cultural Amauta, Huanta, 2305-2316, 17/4, castelhano/quÌchua, an˙ncios informativos, comerciais e das freqs., ao que se passou a progr. de propag. relig.; 45433. Sinal melhor, em 19/4, pelas 2320.

5980, R. Chaski, Cuzco, 2225-2233, 17/4, castelhano, texto, m˙sica; 24432, QRM adjacente. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4789.9, Radio VisiÛn, 0417-0427. Preacher speaking in Spanish with an echo from within a large church or arena. Singing at 0427 with possible crowd / congregation sounds. Weak to moderate signal strength with poor audio, and weak CODAR interference. Best tuned on the low side. 4/14/2015 (Jim Evans, Germantown, TN, Perseus, IC-R75, ICF-SW7600G, PL-880, PL-660, PL-380, Random Wire, Eavesdropper Dipole, NASWA Flashsheet April 19 via DXLD)

** PERU. 5980, April 20 at 0100, JBA carrier from R. Chaski until cutoff at 0108:53.5*, which = 46.5 seconds later than last check 8 nights ago, 0108:07* April 12, so averaging 5.8125 seconds later per night, right on schedule for the slipping autotimer (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ROMANIA. Radio Romania International, 17680, 4/19 with fair and fading reception, heard at 1145 with "All That Jazz" music program and concluding at 1156 (Larry Zamora, Garland, TX, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. Hi, I recently sent e mail in Russian to Mr Putin asking him to consider putting Sputnik voice of Russia back on short wave; promised to get back to me by phone! 73 joncollins7388@gmail.com (Jon Collins, SWL, Birmingham UK, April 19, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Be sure to let us know what he answers (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** RUSSIA. Comintern Radio was heard again, weak signal, but audible: 1434 and 1456 on 6989.9 with Russian songs. The power is only 1 kW.
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/comintern-radio-was-heard-again-on-69899.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #906 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, April 21, 2015, via DXLD)

April 15:
Comintern Radio, Russian songs 1434 on 6989.9
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=26zqHL4v0Tg&feature=youtu.be

Comintern Radio, Russian songs 1456 on 6989.9
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SR4IT9QjxcM&feature=youtu.be
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA [and non]. April 13:
Adygeyan Radio in Adygeyan, Arabic, Turkish 1800 on 7325 Armavir
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XS1BvGkc8pM&feature=youtu.be

Adygeyan Radio in Adygeyan, Arabic, Turkish 1814 on 7325 Armavir
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N1gd4OTW0_U&feature=youtu.be

Adygeyan Radio in Adygeyan, Arabic, Turkish 1828 on 7325 Armavir
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ag-k-Ng0OQM&feature=youtu.be

Adygeyan Radio in Adygeyan, Arabic, Turkish 1844 on 7325 Armavir
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ciOTCFvyJJ4&feature=youtu.be

Adygeyan Radio in Adygeyan, Arabic, Turkish 1857 on 7325 Armavir
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k0G1zYYaPgU&feature=youtu.be
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

April 17:
Adygeyan Radio in Adygeyan 1800 on 7325 Armavir
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9XD-fOi9WeY&feature=youtu.be

Adygeyan Radio in Adygeyan 1818 on 7325 Armavir
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DZYnFH_OhfU&feature=youtu.be

Adygeyan Radio in Adygeyan 1847 on 7325 Armavir
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=netNDWof4CM&feature=youtu.be

Adygeyan Radio in Adygeyan 1858 on 7325 Armavir
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dB8RvpaRFKU&feature=youtu.be
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Adygeyan Radio in Adygeyan vs Radio Taiwan International in French,
video on April 19:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/summer-15-sw-schedule-of-adygeyan-
radio.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, April 20, dxldyg via DXLD)

7325 at 18, totally blocked by RTI at 19, say the captions. Please
just say this in the original text post. None of us have time to play
all your videos, and the blog is slow to get them all loaded (gh)

Summer A-15 SW schedule of Adygeyan Radio:
1800-1900 7325 ARM 100 kW / 188 deg CeAs Ad/Ar/Tu Mon ex 1700-1800 A14
1800-1900 7325 ARM 100 kW / 188 deg CeAs Adygeyan Fri ex 1700-1800 A14
1900-2000 7325*ARM 100 kW / 188 deg CeAs Adygeyan Sun ex 1800-1900 A14
* co-ch Radio Taiwan International in French to WeEu via Woofferton +
video April 19 [yep, WOF registered, a new relay site for them? -- gh]
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/summer-15-sw-schedule-of-adygeyan-

radio.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #906 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, April 21, 2015, via DXLD)

** RWANDA. RIP 6055 kHz Radio Rwanda Kigali? I am a bit worried right now that we might have also lost the best heard African station, Radio Rwanda on 6055 kHz which was within the DW facility and operated by DW Kigali relay station. Last night a check at 2000 UT revealed nothing. Tonight I should be able to confirm or otherwise. If so, it will be the end of shortwave from this landlocked African nation. It was the most regular African signal for me (Victor Goonetilleke, 4S7VK, Sri Lanka, DXplorer April 12 via BCDX April 18 via DXLD)

Yes, I think they have closed it, although I didn't get confirmation from the station:
<http://wrth.com/updates_national.html>
(Mauno Ritola, Finland, ibid.)

Comment: RRW could be financed from DLW Bonn budget in the past
(Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, BCDX April 18 via DXLD)

** RWANDA [non]. April 18:
Radio Inyabutatu in Kinyarawanda to SoAf 1613 on 21480 Issoudun
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HD8yiUViKXI&feature=youtu.be
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RWANDA [non]. Monday, April 20, 2015
Radio IMARA, ex R. Impala/R. Mara in Kinyarwanda was back again on SW on April 15 at new time 1800-1900, ex 1700-1800 in A-14 / B-14
1800-1802 on 17540 MDC 250 kW / 310 deg to SoAf open carrier, dead air and
1802-1900 on 17540 MDC 250 kW / 310 deg to SoAf Mon/Wed/Fri only, ex Daily
(Bulgarian DX Blog via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD) IMARA = a merger?

** SCOTLAND [non]. Radio Six International SW broadcast April 25

More information regarding our broadcast on Saturday 25th April.
We'll be using 3975 kHz (75.47m) with 5 kW for Scandinavia and Northern Europe and 9405 kHz (31.87m) at 10 kW for the UK and the rest of Western Europe. Schedule (all times UTC):
1400 News
1402 John Cavanagh's Soundwave
1425 The Lively Lounge with Tony Currie
1445 Behind The Tracks with Sue Fisher
1500 News
1502 Saturday Sounds
1540 The Kenny Tosh Revival Show

1600 Close Down

We'll acknowledge all Reception Reports with a QSL. Reports please to
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rebroadcast affiliates in Australia, England, New Zealand, Scotland,
Singapore, Taiwan and the USA/ April 17, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Six International --- Shortwave transmissions will return for an
experiment next weekend. From transmitters in Sweden, and on a couple
of frequencies in different bands, we offer an afternoon of
programming from 1400 to 1600 GMT on Saturday, 25th April, aimed at
listeners in Europe. (3-5 pm UK time, 4-6 pm Europe) Programme details
on the April issue of Radio News. Hear us in the UK, Ireland and most
of Western Europe on 9405 kHz (31.87m); and Scandinavia and Northern
Europe on 3975 kHz (75.47m). http://www.radiosix.com/
Posted by: (Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

Tony Currie, Director of Programmes, just emailed: This one's for the
SWLs and DX-ers. On Saturday (25th April) we're back on shortwave for
two hours as an experiment to see what the reaction is. [remaining
details as above] (via Mike Terry, April 20, dxldyg via DXLD)

** SERBIA [non]. 6100, Radio Serbia Internacional, Bijeljina, 1900-
1915, escuchada el 16 de abril de 2015 en espaÒol, sintonÌa, locutora
con presentaciÛn e ID, anuncia emisiÛn diaria, locutor con boletÌn de
noticias. Escucho ligera interferencia de otra emisora con locutor y
emisiÛn de m˙sica, probablemente hind˙, aunque no encuentro a esta
hora otra emisora listada ni en Aoki ni en EiBi. Chequeo en 6095 y
6105 sin encontrar emisora alguna, SINPO 43443 (JosÈ Miguel Romero,
Burjasot (Valencia), Spain, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m,
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SERBIA [non]. EL GOBIERNO SERBIO ANUNCIA EL CIERRE DE SU EMISORA DE
ONDA CORTA. RADIO SERBIA DEJAR¡ DE TRANSMITIR EL 30 DE JUNIO
http://www.radionoticias.com/noticias-2015/el-gobierno-serbio-anuncia-el-cierre-
de-su-emisora-de-onda-corta.html
Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, dxldyg via DXLD) Viz.:

El Gobierno serbio anuncia el cierre de su emisora de onda corta
Radio Serbia Internacional dejar· de transmitir el 30 de junio
Viernes, 17 Abril, 2015 9:08 | Por Pablo A. Montes

Tras setenta y nueve aÒos de existencia, la emisora de onda corta

serbia, Radio Serbia Internacional (antes Radio Yugoslavia), echar· el cierre a finales de junio, al menos eso es lo que ha anunciado el Gobierno del paÌs en base a la nueva Ley de InformaciÛn P˙blica que establece el cese del financiamiento directo por parte del Estado de los medios de informaciÛn p˙blicos, que adem·s deber·n ser privatizados.

Un grupo de trabajadores de la emisora se manifestÛ ayer durante cuatro horas frente a la sede del Gobierno reclamando ser recibidos por el primer ministro Alesandar Vucic, al que quieren exponer lo perjudicial para los intereses de la naciÛn de la extinciÛn de un medio de comunicaciÛn internacional, y los problemas que surgir·n en el orden laboral, ya que significarÌa el despido de todo el personal que se quedarÌa sin una indemnizaciÛn ´adecuadaª.

Las nuevas medidas que pretende el Gobierno con los medios de car·cter p˙blico no ofrecen ninguna soluciÛn de transformaciÛn ni racionalizaciÛn para la estaciÛn de onda corta, a pesar de que mediante ley se ha definido el interÈs p˙blico de informar a la audiencia mundial sobre el dÌa a dÌa del paÌs (via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

PEACEFUL PROTEST OF RADIO YUGOSLAVIAíS EMPLOYEES IN FRONT OF SERBIAN GOVERNMENT

http://voiceofserbia.org/content/peaceful-protest-radio-yugoslavia%E2%80%99s-employees-front-serbian-government

More than 70 employees of Radio Yugoslavia ñ International Radio Serbia have held a peaceful prot4est in front of the Serbian Government building due to the announced disbanding of this media house that has been working for 79 years and broadcasting in 12 languages. The representatives of the employees have asked for the reception and submitted a letter addressed at Prime Minister Aleksandar Vucic, which points to the detrimental effects of shutting down this type of media to the interests of the Republic of Serbia, as well as stressing the unfortunate situation for the employees who will lose their jobs, and without severance pays. If no reaction is shown from the government or the line ministry, another protest is scheduled for the next week.

The media strategy and the new law on public information envisage the withdrawal of the state from the ownership in the media and their direct financing. Contrary to the earlier announcements, no option of transformation or rationalization has been offered to Radio Yugoslavia, even though the law identifies the public interest of informing the world public about the events in Serbia. The protest was covered by numerous other media.

Director of the International Radio Serbia Milorad Vujovic has assessed it is intolerable to shut down on July 1 the only state service for informing the international public about the events in Serbia in 11 world languages, as it has been going on for 79 years.

ìThis kind of autistic behavior is unacceptable, because there is the possibility within the public service, and in line with the Law on public media services, to let our radio keep doing its job,î Vujovic told the press. According to him, putting out the only short wave radio station in the country, whose programs are heard worldwide, would represent a great loss to the promotion of Serbia and hence leaving a gap in the information of the world public and Serbian Diaspora.

Vujovic has pointed that opposite trends are noted in the region, and everybody strives to attain the greatest possible impact on the public opinion in the world, and he adds that 20 countries of the EU also have this kind of world service. The director of the International Radio Serbia has stated it is still uncertain what will happen to the employees, but there is trepidation that all 96 of them will be rendered jobless, without any severance pay or compensation.

ìThere is no possibility for the privatization of this type of media, even though some forms of public-private partnerships are available, but at the moment it is not offered as an option,î Vujovic explained.

President of the Union of IRS Journalists, Jelica Tapuskovic, has stated that the management and the union representatives had tried on several occasions to talk to the representatives of the Ministry of Culture and Information about the pressing problems. ìWe have not talked to minister Ivan Tasovac, but we had been received by State Secretary for Media Sasa Mirkovic, to discuss the possibilities of reorganization of our radio and its further work,î she specified, adding that the last conversation took place in December last year.

Tapuskovic has said that afterwards, despite several letters and demands, there has been no response from the Ministry of Culture and Information, until two days ago, prior to the announced protest, when a letter arrived, reading that ìthe act is in the making, aimed at defining the legal consequences of extinguishing the radioî, without any further explanation on what it could mean. According to her, the further moves of the employees in the International Radio Serbia will depend on the outcome of the talks with the officials in charge.

The workers of Radio Yugoslavia were holding banners with messages such as ìKeep hearing the Voice of Serbia around the worldî, ìWhere we cannot be heard ñ it must be the end of the worldî etc. The protest

was covered by the representatives of numerous media. Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

IRS already deleted its North American SW service a few years ago but kept it on the schedule pretentiously. Yet Ivo`s sked below also includes it on 9685 as if it exist; check once more? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SW transmissions of International Radio Serbia will be closed June 30: http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/sw-transmissions-of-international-radio.html

Sunday, April 19, 2015
International Radio Serbia will be closed altogether on June 30

It was announced that International Radio Serbia is going to be closed altogether on June 30, 2015, after 79 years of broadcasting. Another international broadcaster is going off the air. Here's the current schedule:

1730-1800 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Italian Mon-Fri
1800-1830 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Russian
1830-1900 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu English
1900-1930 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Spanish
1930-2000 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Serbian Sun-Fri
1930-2030 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Serbian Sat
2000-2030 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu German Sun-Fri
2030-2100 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu French
2100-2130 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu English
2130-2200 on 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Serbian Fri

[sic:]
0000-0030 on 9685 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to NoAm Serbian Mon-Sat
0000-0100 on 9685 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to NoAm Serbian Sun
0030-0100 on 9685 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to NoAm English Tue-Sat
0030-0130 on 9685 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to NoAm Serbian Mon
0100-0130 on 9685 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to NoAm Serbian Tue-Sat

Inactive transmissions:
1300-1330 on 9635 BEO 010 kW / 310/130 to WeEu English
1330-1400 on 9635 BEO 010 kW / 310/130 to WeEu Serbian
1400-1430 on 9635 BEO 010 kW / 310/130 to WeEu Spanish
1430-1500 on 9635 BEO 010 kW / 310/130 to WeEu Arabic
1500-1530 on 9635 BEO 010 kW / 310/130 to WeEu Russian
1530-1600 on 9635 BEO 010 kW / 310/130 to WeEu French
1600-1630 on 9635 BEO 010 kW / 310/130 to WeEu German
1630-1645 on 9635 BEO 010 kW / 310/130 to WeEu Chinese
1645-1700 on 9635 BEO 010 kW / 310/130 to WeEu Albahian

1700-1715 on 9635 BEO 010 kW / 310/130 to WeEu Hungarian
1715-1730 on 9635 BEO 010 kW / 310/130 to WeEu Greek
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73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

"Closed altogether" means not only they're leaving SW, but the internet also as well (J K Johnson, DXLD)

News has emerged that International Radio Serbia will be closed down June 30. Another country gone from SW (and nothing to remain online either, evidently). Ivo Ivanov then posted their ``complete`` schedule, including a North American service in Serbian and English at 0000-0130 on 9685.

As I have mentioned a number of times, the 9685 broadcasts to North America are IMAGINARY. They keep putting these on their schedules, (6190 in B-seasons) but they have been off for YEARS. So I can`t feel too sad about the situation. They cut us off even while they remained on air to Europe, pretending to maintain a North American service!

Just to be certain, I check after 0000 UT April 23 and NOTHING on 9685. Those on the east coast may be able to get the English on 6100 at 2200 in winter, but not much out here, especially not at 2100 in summer (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: Bijeljina & Stubline --- countdown? My apologies to the members. One of our terrific regular behind the scenes contributors informed me that Stubline TX site equipment was put up for sale in recent years. One such online For Sale page/doc was dated May 2013 seemingly for power supply units & truck that was used for the mobile truck 10kW SW Txions from the site.

I looked further at DXLD YG archives & found references from Kai & Wolfgang about site. From Wolfgang, he believes he last noted a transmission in May 2012 & maybe the site was no longer in use from July 2012. If anyone has any further more specific last monitored or official info please drop us a line.

Bing Maps: New Birds Eye Imagery of Obrenovac / Stubline SW TX Site. Nice hi-res N-E-S-W Birds Eye views (Ian, shortwvesites yg via DXLD)

Stubline = the low-power site near Beograd, whilst Bijeljina is the high-power site just across the border in Bosnia-Hercegovina (gh)

April 19:
International Radio Serbia in Russian to WeEu 1800 on 6100 Bijeljina
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ibNLLaTcAN8&feature=youtu.be

International Radio Serbia in English to WeEu 1830 on 6100 Bijeljina
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t4WNBRCv5oo&feature=youtu.be

International Radio Serbia in Spanish to WeEu 1907 on 6100 Bijeljina
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rKhWqKRL_6g
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALIA [non]. 17580, V. of Khaatumo, Apr 14 *1700-1710, 25332, Somali, 1700 sign on with opening music, ID, Opening announce, Koran, Talk.

17845, R. Ergo, Apr 18 1229-1239, 35332, Somali, Talk, ID at 1236 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX, IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-345, Satellit 750, DE-1121; ANT, 130m Sloper Wire, 303WA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALIA [non]. Clandestina: 17580, Codka Khaatumo, Issoudun, FRANCIA, 1720-1730, escuchada el 21 de abril de 2015 en somalÌ a locutor con comentarios, emisiÛn de m˙sica Ètnica, locutor con comentarios al final de la emisiÛn, locutora con comentarios, SINPO 24332 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), EspaÒa, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, Blog valenciadx: http://valenciadx.blogspot.es/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non non]. USA, Updated schedule of Brother Stair via World Harvest Radio, WHRI u.o.s.:

0000-0100 5920 250 kW / 047 deg WeEu WHRI Angel 2 Mon
0200-0300 5920 250 kW / 047 deg WeEu WHRI Angel 2 Daily
0700-0900 7315 250 kW / 152 deg SoAm WHRI Angel 1 Daily, confirmed
1000-1100 9610 250 kW / 152 deg SoAm WHRI Angel 1 Sun
1100-1200 15320 250 kW / 152 deg SoAm WHRI Angel 1 Daily, confirmed
1200-1300 15320 250 kW / 152 deg SoAm WHRI Angel 1 Mon-Sat, confirmed
1300-1400 21610 250 kW / 085 deg CeAf WHRI Angel 1 Sat/Sun, confirmed
1400-1500 21600 250 kW / 085 deg CeAf WHRI Angel 1 Sat, confirmed LIVE

1600-1700 *9930 HBN 100 kW / 270 deg SEAs T8WH Angel 4 Daily confirmed

1600-1800 9840 250 kW / 025 deg ENAm WHRI Angel 2 Daily, confirmed
1800-1900 21600 250 kW / 085 deg CeAf WHRI Angel 1 Mon-Fri, confirmed
1900-2000 9840 250 kW / 025 deg ENAm WHRI Angel 2 Sun
1900-2000 17610 250 kW / 085 deg CeAf WHRI Angel 1 Mon-Fri, confirmed
2000-2100 11670 250 kW / 173 deg CeAm WHRI Angel 2 Mon-Sat, confirmed
2200-2300 11775 250 kW / 047 deg WeEu WHRI Angel 2 Mon-Fri, confirmed
2200-2300 11670 250 kW / 173 deg CeAm WHRI Angel 2 Sat/Sun
2300-2400 7315 250 kW / 173 deg CeAm WHRI Angel 2 Sat
2300-2400 11775 250 kW / 047 deg WeEu WHRI Angel 1 Mon-Fri
(Bulgarian DX blog April 16 via DXLD) *not any more:

PALAU, Cancelled transmission of Brother Stair TOM via T8WH Angel 4: 1600-1700 on 9930 HBN 100 kW / 270 deg to SEAs English from April 20 My last recordings of Brother Stair via T8WH Angel 4 on Tue, April 7: http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/cancelled-transmission-of-brother-stair.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, April 22, dxldyg via DXLD)

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non]. 9980, April 16 at 1304, synthetic voice with prophecy that there will be nuclear strikes on the US over the pole and from subs in both oceans; Statue of Liberty will fall on her face, America will melt. Sounds like a defective screen reader, swallowing and skipping syllables. This is WWCR and at first wondered if some non-TOM program, but soon found // 11825 WRMI as they both go back to Brother Scare himself. How fortunate we are to have such a warning by the all-knowing screen reader. Or rather, what crap! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[non non]. 15320, April 17 at 1246, Brother Scare is spelling out M I N I S T R Y and O V E R C O M E R, as if we`d never heard him before and/or were totally stupid --- but then that`s his prime demographic. Fair signal on newish frequency via WHRI, ex-11700 where I first heard this transmission. Aoki shows 15320 at 12-13 is daily except Sunday, while previous hour 11-12 is 7-daily (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11670, WHRI Cypress Creek SC (presumed); 2005, 21-Apr; Bro. HyStairical proclaiming his prophethoodness and the futility of refuting it. S20; not // B.S. on 11825, WRMI (presumed). (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[non non & non]. 15770, Overcomer Ministry via WRMI Radio Miami Int'l (presumed); 1834, 20-Apr; Bro. HyStairical with more religion-by-threat; said "America, you've been exalted on high, and you've got to be brought down", then B.S. broke into song (Isn't threatening gov't overthrow a crime?) SIO=444- with rattle QRM (Frodge-MI)

21600, Overcomer Ministry via WHRI Cypress Creek SC (presumed); 1839, 20-Apr; Bro. HyStairical reading e-mails & airing phone messages. E-mailer said, "You've become the most hated preacher in the world"; appeared to be from a Catholic. Response was somewhat disjointed, but mentioned the Pope, the Vatican & beheadings. B.S. then ran a phone message from a Delaware supporter. SIO=353+ Not // 15770 WRMI (presumed) (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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** SPAIN. REE relay RNE on all four frequencies on April 16:
1800-2200 on 15450 NOB 200 kW / 161 deg to WCAf Spanish Daily
1800-2200 on 15490 NOB 200 kW / 110 deg to N/ME Spanish Daily
1800-2200 on 17715 NOB 200 kW / 230 deg to SoAm Spanish Daily
1800-2200 on 17855 NOB 200 kW / 290 deg to NoAm Spanish Daily
Full summer shortwave schedule of Radio Exterior de Espana may be found here
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/ree-relay-rne-on-all-four-frequencies.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, April 17, dxldyg via DXLD)

REE/RNE on 3 frequencies 1400-1800 and on 4 freqs 1800-2200, April 18:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/reerne-on-3-freqs-1400-1800-and-on-4.html
(Ivo, ibid.)

** SPAIN. SPAIN TO OFFER 6 NEW DIGITAL TV LICENSES --- The Spanish conservative government of Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy has approved a public auction for six new digital terrestrial television channels (DTT) before the national elections scheduled for November.

Among the requirements, listed in the Spanish official gazette (BOE), the stations must guarantee ìpluralism of ideasî and ìfree speech.î The bidding closes on May 28.

About a year ago, the Spanish Supreme Court revoked the licenses of nine DTT stations authorized by the previous Socialist government because they were not offered through a public bidding process. (Marty DelfÌn, Madrid, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

EL GOBIERNO REPARTIR¡ SEIS NUEVOS CANALES DE TDT JUSTO ANTES DE LAS ELECCIONES --- DE EVA BELMONTE
http://elboenuestrodecadadia.com/2015/04/18/el-gobierno-repartira-seis-nuevos-canales-de-tdt-justo-antes-de-las-elecciones/

Los criterios de valoraciÛn no contienen fÛrmulas autom·ticas

Se tendr· en cuenta que formenten el ëpluralismoí

Los grupos tienen hasta el 28 de mayo para presentar ofertas

El BOE recoge hoy los pliegos del concurso p˙blico http://boe.es/boe/dias/2015/04/18/pdfs/BOE-A-2015-4216.pdf#BOEn para la adjudicaciÛn de seis nuevos canales de TDT, anunciado ayer en Consejo de Ministros. Las empresas que se postulen tienen hasta el 28 de mayo para presentar sus ofertas y el Gobierno, que recibir· la propuesta de la mesa de adjudicaciÛn como muy tarde el 9 de octubre, tiene un total de seis meses desde hoy para tomar la decisiÛn. AsÌ, el reparto estar· resuelto el 18 de octubre, un mes antes del fin de la legislatura (20 de noviembre) y en unas fechas muy cercanas a la convocatoria de elecciones generales, pendientes de fecha.

Para participar, es imprescindible contar con una cifra de negocios que supere los dos millones y medio en cada uno de los tres ˙ltimos ejercicios. Cada compaÒÌa solo podr· resultar adjudicataria de uno de los tres canales en alta definiciÛn (HD) y uno de los tres canales est·ndar (SD). Eso sÌ, los pliegos no imponen ning˙n veto a las cadenas actualmente en funcionamiento, por lo que podrÌan aÒadir los nuevos canales a su oferta actual y aumentar asÌ la concentraciÛn empresarial.

Los pliegos publicados hoy en el BOE desvelan los criterios en los que se basar· la mesa, formada por miembros del Ministerio de Industria, que ser· la encargada de enviar una propuesta de reparto al Gobierno. Ninguno de estos criterios contiene fÛrmulas autom·ticas, por lo que todos son abiertos a interpretaciÛn.

De los 700 puntos m·ximos disponibles, 410 se otorgar·n teniendo en cuenta la programaciÛn de la cadena y su pluralidad:

50 corresponden al impacto sobre la industria espaÒola y europea -vinculados a la creaciÛn o emisiÛn de contenidos de la zona.

90 (150 para los canales de HD) a la programaciÛn -tipos de espacios, planes especialesÖ

120 puntos por satisfacer demandas plurales de los ciudadanos.

150 puntos (90 para los canales de HD) si el Gobierno considera que la adjudicaciÛn del canal a la empresa ìmejorarÌa los niveles de pluralismo en la televisiÛn, garantizando una expresiÛn libre y pluralista de ideas y de corrientes de opiniÛnî.

Para valorar esta ˙ltima vertiente se tendr· en cuenta ìla asunciÛn por parte del licitador de compromisos concretos con la libertad de expresiÛn y el respeto a la objetividad, veracidad e imparcialidad de la informaciÛn asÌ como la publicaciÛn de cÛdigos deontolÛgicos que garanticen el libre acceso de ideas y corrientes o la creaciÛn de

comitÈs que garanticen la independencia y la pluralidad de los profesionalesî. En el caso de la HD

Los otros 290 puntos se conceder·n teniendo en cuenta los medios de la empresa (profesionales, plan de cobertura, plan medioambiental y de seguridad laboral, hasta 120 puntos), el plan financiero (hasta 120 puntos) y la estrategia corporativa (hasta 50 puntos).

Las empresas adjudicatarias dispondr·n de la licencia, si cumplen las obligaciones legales, durante 15 aÒos. Hace casi un aÒo, nueve canales de la TDT fueron suprimidos
http://www.elmundo.es/television/2014/05/05/536536d1ca4741ca6b8b4572.html
tras una sentencia del Tribunal Supremo que tumbÛ la adjudicaciÛn porque el reparto aprobado por el Gobierno de Zapatero no se realizÛ mediante concurso p˙blico, como marca la ley (El BOE nuestro de cada dÌa, 18 de abril via Marty DelfÌn, Madrid, Spain, DXLD)

** SRI LANKA [and non]. 11905, April 18 at *0114:11 SLBC carrier on, fair with heavy flutter; 0114:46 music prÈlude starts, 0115:19, 2+1 mistimesignal ends, sign-on announcement. These times are quite reliable compared to each other showing good precision: the only problem is that they are all wrong.

11905, April 20 at 0114 a JBA carrier from presumed CNR6 Beijing 491 site which starts in Amoy at 0100, eclipsed by much stronger *0114:12.5 SLBC carrier, yet which itself rates only very poor with flutter. Music prÈlude starts about 0114:47.5; 2+1 mistimesignal ends at 0115:19 as customary (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN. Reception of Voice of Africa, Sudan Radio on April 16:
1630-1730 9505 ALF 100 kW / 210 deg CeAf French, QRM Radio Romania Int on 9500
1730-1830 9505 ALF 100 kW / 210 deg CeAf English, QRM Radio Romania Int on 9500
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/reception-of-voice-of-africa-sudan.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, April 17, dxldyg via DXLD)

April 16:
Voice of Africa in French to CeAf 1707 on 9505 Al Aitahab
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6R9f2agWSfA&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Africa in English to CeAf 1730 on 9505 Al Aitahab
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3O8c4SGFsQk&feature=youtu.be
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Republic of Sudan, Al Aitahab, 1956-2000, escuchada el 20 de abril de 2015 en ·rabe a locutor con comentarios al terminar emisiÛn de m˙sica, m˙sica Ètnica africana, locutora con comentarios, comienza

la emisiÛn de RFI a las 2:00 en francÈs y queda anulada, SINPO 23442 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), EspaÒa, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, Blog valenciadx: http://valenciadx.blogspot.es/ dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) WTFK? Presumably 9505 (gh, DXLD)

SUDVO, 9505, Voz da ¡frica - R. Sud„o, Al Aitahab, 1646-1711, 19/4, francÍs, m˙sica africana, rubrica Panorama de la Jeunesse, ‡s 1655; 45444, mas QRM adj. apÛs as 1700. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7205.0, RTC Omdurman, Sudan female Arabic language at 0353 UT, typical African music of the region, similar HoA mx. S=8 in MA (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. Clandestinas: 15150, Radio Dabanga, Talata Volondry, 1545-1559, escuchada el 17 de abril de 2015 en sudanÈs a locutor con comentarios, segmento musical, cuÒa de ID ìRadio Dabangaî, m˙sica africana, sin seÒal en 15550, cuÒa con referencias a Darfur y Dabanga, locutor simulando llamadas telefÛnicas, SINPO 34333

15150, Radio Dabanga, Talata Volondry, 1611-1615, escuchada el 17 de abril de 2015 en sudanÈs a locutor anunciando direcciÛn de E-Mail dabanga@..., cuÒa de ID, emisiÛn de m˙sica, locutor con comentarios con referencias a ìMubarak e Ibraimî, SINPO 45444 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), EspaÒa, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hardly anyone else mentions the tone jamming against R. Dabanga, which is a pervasive problem as heard here; how come? (gh, DXLD)

** SURINAME. 4990, R. Apintie, Paramaribo, 2302-..., 17/4, texto, aparentemente, em holandÍs; 25331. Sinal algo melhor em 18/4, pelas 2200. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SWEDEN. Christian Stˆdberg writes in the Skywaves DX Facebook group: 2nd May will there be test transmission from the old longwave transmitter in Motala, Sweden on 191 kHz. I will check power and time and reply later. It's not the original 150 kW transmitter though a new, smaller one with low power. Posted by: (Mike Terry April 18, dxldyg? Via DXLD)

** SWEDEN. PCJ Radio to Europe - now 9405, daily 2000-2100 UT 18-24 April --- Frequency now changed to 9405 (ex 9705):

"Some monitoring last night revealed that the Iranian transmitter on 9715 kHz is spreading splatter over a large portion of the band for the period 2000-2020 UTC. Therefore we have agreed with PCJ to move

their programme to 9405 kHz instead, which is a better option as it is quiet for the entire hour. Iran is on 9400, too, but fortunately that transmission is beamed to the Far East so it won't interfere with us." (Ronny B Goode on Radio Revival Sweden's Facebook page, 18 April)

Power is 10 kilowatts via Sala, Sweden (via Alan Pennington, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

Skipzone now (1600z) for 9.3 MHz 600 km; 10.1 MHz 800 km (roger, Germany, dxldyg via DXLD)

Iran for the period 2000-2020 UT on 9400 is to South Africa, not to Far East -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, ibid.)

Checked 9405 Apr 18 2000-2100 for PCJ. A tiny signal with English, just a few words every now and then. Strangely, I got audio only with LSB and AM. There was strong wide hash-interference on that portion of the band, maybe my local or then a faulty transmitter in the nearby frequency (Jari, southern Finland, Savolainen, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Wide Noise Jammer under Kamalabad and Sala:
http://www.rhci-online.net/files/2015-04-18_9405_kHz_PCJ_via_Sala.gif
http://www.rhci-online.net/files/2015-04-18_2000z_9405kHz_PCJ_via_Sala.png

QRG too high for Scandinavia at this time. My distance: 980 km. At my QTH Sala-9.4-MHz-signal skipped at 2045z.

Radio Revival Sweden:
10 kW-Tx C-LSB
 5 kW-Tx AM

In Germany at QTH Gˆhren/Goehren
TX with C-USB on 6190 or 7265 or 9485 kHz, if on air. C-LSB + C-USB can use the same QRG, theoretically... ;-) (roger, ibid.)

PCJ Radio International via tx site in Sala, Sweden - videos:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/pcj-radio-international-broadcasts-to.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** TAIWAN [non]. Logs of PCJ via Sala, are filed under SWEDEN just above (gh)

** TAIWAN. 7445, RTI, 4/20, 1100. Pips, s/on, M and W reading news in ping-pong style. Poor/Fair. (Rick Barton, Box 1804, El Mirage AZ 85335, large outdoor random wire, indoor shortwire, Drake R8, Grundig Satellit 750, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) English

[and non]. Radio Taiwan International via Tamshui, Issoudun April 16
1600-1700 on 6180 TSH 300 kW / 205 deg to SEAs English
1700-1800 on 11955 ISS 500 kW / 055 deg to EaEu Russian
Full summer shortwave schedule of Radio Taiwan International may be found here
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/radio-taiwan-international-via-tamshui.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, April 17, dxldyg via DXLD)

** TIBET [non]. 15492, VoT (Dushanbe-Yangiyul [TAJIKISTAN site]) 1405+ 17 April. OC only this morning with CNR1 jammer on 15495 at 1406-1410*, VoT switching to 15497 by 1410 with very weak signal and CNR1 jammer popping up on 15500 at 1415 check. VoT apparently runs two different programmes at 1400+, as the much louder VoT broadcast on 15525/530 (Talata-Volonondry [MADAGASCAR site]) is "never" the same as on 15492/497 (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach CA, G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIBET [non]. Frequency changes of Voice of Tibet in 1230-1430 UT:
1230-1245 NF 15557 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15587
1300-1315 NF 15568 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15593
1315-1330 NF 15568 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15593
1330-1345 NF 15548 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 15542
1330-1345 NF 15562 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15587
1345-1400 NF 15548 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 15542
1345-1400 NF 15562 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15587
1400-1415 NF 15492 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 11512
1415-1430 NF 15497 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 15498
All frequencies are jammed by China on xxxx0 / xxxx5
Changes between frequencies vary from 3 to 5 minutes (DX RE MIX NEWS #906 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, April 21, 2015, via DXLD)

** TURKEY. V of Turkey today, 18 April, at 1230 UT in English currently heard on 13760 instead of scheduled 15450 kHz. Probably in error (rather than change of freq) having not changed freq from previous 1130 UT tx in German (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Please monitor a Saturday English broadcast from VOT --- I have been trying to confirm whether or not there is any `Letterbox` still airing, at least on alternate weeks, the `DX Corner` having been canceled last year.

Their podcast page is a mess --- random bits of various programs here and there from various dates --- but never (at least not recently) anything dated on a Saturday or Sunday, as if a different crew doesn`t bother to put up any of those programs, except perhaps `Today in

History`. One used to be able to pick a date, click, and listen to an entire English transmission on demand.

There is one `DX Corner` podcast from last August, perhaps the final one. The program schedule page for English remains blank, when viewed both on IE and Mozilla.

The links to these are on Alan Roe`s Hitlist, http://www.w4uvh.net/hitlist.htm

When I bring up the VOT World webcast at 1700 UT Sat April 18, the player timer already shows 6:50:00 and it`s in Spanish about --- what else --- Atat¸rk. Spanish is scheduled at 1630 on 11930, English on 15520. There are two other live webcasts, East and West --- West goes to Russian! when there is none such scheduled on SW, only at 13-14.

Finally we find English at 1705 on the East webcast: `Eco-Friendly Turks` is ending, 1706 `Today in History`. 1710, `Question of the Month`, about Year of Turkish Culture 2015 celebrated in which country? Then music fill, nicely in stereo. 1723 headlines; 1725 English SW schedule in jumbled fashion by announceress who obviously doesn`t understand what she is reading; sign-off but more music continues, now the latest IS, 1729 mixed with IDs in French. 1730 timesignal 52 seconds late (on webcast), and opening French. So if there was a `Letterbox` earlier, we already missed it. I expect different English broadcasts will be on different webcasts at different times. They fail to make any of this clear.

Re whether or not `Letterbox` still exist on VOT as in previous report: I caught the first half of the Saturday April 18 broadcast on the next webcast transmission, 1830 UT, and no Letterbox then, either.

Alan Roe replies: ``Glenn, There are DX Corner podcasts available up to and including the final edition of 27 December: http://www.trt.net.tr/english/podcast/programmes/dx-corner-202-27122014

Although this doesn't confirm the situation in A-15, I did log Letterbox on 31 January, but seem to have managed to miss the likely "On" weeks for Letterbox since then. There was no "Letterbox" today - instead there was "Turkey Rising Out of the Crisis". But today would be the "off" week for Letterbox. Alan Roe, Teddington, UK`` (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9515.026, TRT Emirler in English, powerful S=9+20dB signal - at 0330 UT April 19. Not letterbox program carried this week; instead heard World Economy report on natural gas and oil figures at 0327 UT. Long term effect on Turkish economy in future, report from University (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 19, dxldyg via DX

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TURKEY vs ALBANIA, Voice of Turkey vs China Radio International:
0600-0855 11750 EMR 500 kW / 097 deg to WeAs Turkish Voice of Turkey
0600-0657 11750 CER 150 kW / 140 deg to N/ME English China Radio Int
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/strong-collisions-between-voice-of.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, April 21, dxldyg via DXLD)

** TURKMENISTAN. [Re 15-15:] Jetzt gibts auch eins der letzten
Radiolaender mit Netzanbindung.

Turkmen Radio 1 (Radio Watan) <http://217.174.238.16:8000/Watan>
Turkmen Radio 2 (Radio A?ar Tarapdan)
<http://217.174.238.16:8000/Char-tarapdan>
Turkmen Radio 3 (Radio Miras) <http://217.174.238.16:8000/Miras>
Turkmen Radio 4 (Radio Owaz) <http://217.174.238.16:8000/Owaz>

Auf Owaz gibt es auch alle 3 Stunden ca 5-minuetige englischsprachige
Nachrichten (02, 05, 08, 11, 14, 17 hrs CEST/MESZ etc.)

ob es noch die englischsprachigen News gibt, die seinerzeit auch auf
KW liefen, ist nicht bekannt.

Der Bulgare Mikhail Shcherbak
<predavatel.com> <radiomap.eu> <worldradiomap.com>
hat sie wohl aus den (nicht-offiziellen) turkmenischen Radio-Apps
gezogen, die es schon seit einem Jahr gibt (die Streams selbst duerfte
es da schon noch laenger geben):

<https:\\itunes.apple.com/us/app/tmradio/id890006065?l=ru&ls=1&mt=8>
(Juni 2014)

<https:\\play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.asd.tmradio>
(August 2014)

Zu <radiomap.eu> <worldradiomap.com>
in der Tat gibt es dort viele einzigartige Details, andererseits auch
Eintraege, die genauso ungewoehnlich sind in ihrer Fehlerhaftigkeit,
wie z.B. AZE longwave 216 kHz. Man weiss also im Grunde nie ob die
Angaben auch wirklich stimmen, so interessant sie auch sind (Christian
Milling-D, A-DX April 11 via BCDX April 18 via DXLD)

** UGANDA. 4750.0 1835-1900* 17/4, Dunamis Broadcasting Corp., Mukono.
African songs. 25321 CGS (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, via Dario
Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

4750, Dunamis BC, Mukono, 1835-1900*, 17/4, canÁıes africanas; 25321.
Um pouco melhor em 19/4, pelas 1820. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal,

WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K [and non]. TWO IN FIVE AFGHANS USE BBC CONTENT EACH WEEK

17 April 2015. A total of 6.6 million people ñ two in five adults ñ consume BBC content every week in Afghanistan, a new survey has found. BBC TV reaches around a fourth of the adult population of Afghanistan while BBC radio remains the BBCís largest platform in the country.

Radio ñ on FM and shortwave - remains the BBCís largest platform in Afghanistan, reaching 4.7 million Afghans each week predominantly in Pashto and Dari, and in smaller numbers, in Uzbek and English.

An audience of 3.2 million Afghans watch the BBC TV each week. BBC World Service launched TV news programming in Pashto last year: news bulletins Monday to Friday, Da Iqtisad la Naray (World Business bulletin) on Saturday, and Ownay Pa Kaharono Ki (Weekly News Review)looking at the highlights of the week on Sunday. These programmes as well as well as the BBC Pashto monthly youth debate Da Fikr Lari, (Path of Thought) are watched by a weekly audience of 1.5 million on partner channel, Shamshad TV. A majority of viewers (75%) say that BBC Pashto TV programming improved their perception of the BBC.

The BBC Persian TV has a weekly audience of 2.2 million in Afghanistan, reaching viewers directly on satellite and via the BBCís partner channel, Yak TV. The BBC Persian TV programmes, Shast Daghigheh (60 Minutes) and Be Ebarate Digar (Hardtalk) have the highest reach among the programmes offered to Afghan viewers. Around 200,000 people in the country watch the English-language TV channel, BBC World News TV, every week.

BBC World Service Head of Journalism, Behrouz Afagh, comments: ìThe results of this survey show that the BBC remains strong in Afghanistan. People continue to come to us in large numbers because they trust our journalism and find it objective and relevant. We can also see that people are increasingly using our TV offer, including our new daily TV programming in Pashto.î

Referrals from social networks in Afghanistan to the BBC sites ñ bbcpashto.com, bbcpersian.com and bbcpersian.com/Afghanistan - have been increasing steadily and now account for around a quarter of weekly traffic to all these sites. Around 56,000 and 40,000 people a month come to the BBC Persian and BBC Pashto websites respectively from social networks in Afghanistan. Almost half of the BBC Pashto Facebook fans (330,000) and nearly fifth (417,000) of BBC Persian Facebook fans are from Afghanistan.

This audience update is based on the main results from a national media survey conducted in Afghanistan in October 2014.

BBC Afghan (in Pashto and Dari) and BBC Persian are part of BBC World Service. Ends//

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Notes to editors: *Source: Social Bakers

BBC World Service delivers news content around the world in English and 28 other language services, on radio, TV and digital, reaching a weekly audience of 191 million. As part of BBC World Service, BBC Learning English teaches English to global audiences. For more information, visit bbc.com/worldservice. The BBC attracts a weekly global audience of 265 million people to its international news services including BBC World Service, BBC World News television channel and bbc.com/news (BBC PR April 17 via DXLD)

** U K [and non]. 9410.107, UAE, BBCWS English, via Al Dhabbaya relay site, S=4 poor sidelobe (Wolfgang B¸schel, logs in 0230 to 0400 UT April 19 slot, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) So way off frequency, unlike 9410 was from BBC itself (gh)

15105, April 22 at 0625, BBCWS good in English, interviewing woman who produced a 52-page comic book, // better 7445 Ascension. I figure 15105 would also be Ascension, but HFCC shows Woofferton at 06-07, 250 kW, 158 degrees. 15105 is Ascension in the 1800/2030 span (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. HIFERs: 13561, V1RGO/B; 1520, 21-Apr; tough to center with strong pipper QRM; only hear in USB (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. Can someone give me an update on RFE Radio Free EUrope and Radio Liberty? Do they produce any programming in English? Can their over the air SW signals be picked up in the USA at all? Do they have any English podcasts or Web streaming? Thanks for your help! (B-T-M, April 20, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I follow RFE/RL closely. They do not broadcast in English as it's not their mandate. They do have some excellent podcasts, however. I highly recommend the Power Vertical podcast which comes out weekly, and has to do with Vladimir Putin and Russia. It is in English. They also have

plenty of stories on-line in English. Hope that helps. 73, (Walt Salmaniw, BC, ibid.)

** U S A. Greenville B pic GE vs GM --- Just noted an image of IBB Greenville that's available on Google Maps (GM) but not Google Earth.

It appears the pic, rather than being from Panoramio, it is a GM available pic from Google Plus+, that's obviously not available from GE. So potentially there's additional pics available of tx sites using Google Maps.

https://www.google.com/maps/views/view/109896713108885495784/gphoto/6008883142084861154?gl=au
(Ian, April 21, shortwavesite yg via DXLD)

** U S A. VOA Radiogram, 18-19 April 2015, includes Russian text

Am 17.04.2015 um 09:33 schrieb VOA Radiogram:

Let's hope for better conditions this weekend. The program will include an experiment with Russian text. The Cyrillic characters transmit at much slower speed than Latin characters: about 33 words per minute in MFSK32, and 70 wpm in MFSK64. We will try MFSK64 for the additional speed, but will this faster mode survive trans-Atlantic propagation?

For the correct display of the Russian characters, be sure to select the UTF-8 character set via Fldigi's Configure Colors & Fonts

- WRMI-radiogram - with screenshots
- KBC-radiogram, again massiv backscatter, with screenshots
- VoA-radiogram, good propagation, but LSB-QRM from RNE - with screenshots

Images say more then 1000 words....

http://www.rhci-online.net/radiogram/VoA_Radiogram_2015-04-18.htm
(roger Thayer, April 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WORLD OF RADIO 1769 monitoring: confirmed Friday April 17 at 2130.5 on WRMI 7570 --- very poor in noise level, and NOT on 15770 where it had been reliably, instead carrying RFI Musique --- which is shown on the schedule for System D, 15770 at 21-22, as filler, at various times almost every day of the week. The only nominal time for WOR on 15770 is now Sundays at 2100, altho still Thu April 16 it was on 15770 as well as 7570. We`d much prefer 15770, as 7570 is getting absorbed into summer daytime noise level, and really should be moved to a higher band.

Thomas Vˆlkner notifies us April 17: ``Hi Glenn, Due to maintenance work at the Goehren transmitter site, there will be no HLR transmissions over the coming two weekends resp. Wednesdays. Regular transmissions will resume on Saturday, May 2nd, with WOR and other media shows in their usual slots. Allbest, Thomas`` By ``resp.`` he means also off Wednesdays [WORLD OF RADIO 1770]

Next:
Sat 1930v WA0RCR 1860-AM
Sun 0315v WA0RCR 1860-AM [last week started at 0328.5]
Sun 2100 WRMI   15770
Sun 2300 WRMI   11580
Mon 0300v WBCQ   5110v Area 51
Tue 1100 WRMI   9955
Wed 0630 HLR   7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio [off]
Wed 1315 WRMI   9955
Wed 1430 HLR   7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio [off]
Wed 2100 WBCQ   7490v
Thu 0330 WRMI   9955 [or 1770 if ready in time]

I missed checking the true time of WOR on WA0RCR, 1860-AM this week circa 0315 UT Sunday; if I could have heard it vs storm noise. Next:
Sun 2100 WRMI   15770
Sun 2300 WRMI   11580
Mon 0300v WBCQ   5110v Area 51
Tue 1100 WRMI   9955
Wed 1315 WRMI   9955
Wed 2100 WBCQ   7490v
Thu 0330 WRMI   9955 [or 1770 if ready in time]

WORLD OF RADIO 1769 monitoring: confirmed Sunday April 19 at 2100 on WRMI 15770, sufficient. At the start, 7570 too weak in the noise level to tell if //, but by 2129, confirmed as not, with ETC instead = `End Times Coming` as scheduled. WOR 1769 also confirmed Sunday April 19 at 2300 on WRMI 11580, sufficient.

WOR 1769 also confirmed UT Monday April 20 at 0259 on Area 51 webcast and WBCQ 5110-, CUSB. Special play of previous WOR 1768 also confirmed following at 0330, compensation for replaying 1767 the week before, instead of 1768. Wolfgang B¸schel measured it: ``5109.729 cusb mode, WBCQ noted at 0104 UT April 20``. Next:
Tue 1100 WRMI   9955
Wed 1315 WRMI   9955
Wed 2100 WBCQ   7490v
Thu 0330 WRMI   9955 [or 1770 if ready in time]
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7490, WBCQ Monticello ME; 2105-2116+, 22-Apr; Music from 2001 A Space Odyssey & Star Wars; WBCQ SID at 2115 into Brasilian music with drums & whistles then back to Star Wars. SIO=3+53 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST) This was substituting for WORLD OF RADIO: (gh)

WORLD OF RADIO 1769 monitoring: confirmed Wednesday April 22 at 1315, fair signal on WRMI 9955. Next airing missed, Wed Apr 22 on WBCQ 7490, as checked on webcast, instead ``you`re listening to Zombo, in your turds`` Star Wars and other music fill. This was probably caused by lack of a proper link to the latest WOR as set up in the automation. 1769 also replayed at 0330 UT Thursday April 23 on WRMI 9955, as 1770 was not quite ready.

WORLD OF RADIO 1770 monitoring: First airing was no doubt 1230 UT Thursday April 23 on WRMI 9955, but I awoke a minute too late to check it {no, rescheduled without notice to 1130}. Next SW airings:

Thu 2100	WRMI	7570
Fri 2130	WRMI	7570
Sat 1930v	WA0RCR	1860-AM
Sun 0315v	WA0RCR	1860-AM
Sun 2100	WRMI	15770
Sun 2300	WRMI	11580
Mon 0300v	WBCQ	5110v Area 51
Tue 1100	WRMI	9955
Wed 1315	WRMI	9955
Wed 2100	WBCQ	7490v
Thu 0330	WRMI	9955 [or 1771 if ready in time]

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15770, Brother Stair, 2058-2100 escuchada el 16 de abril de 2015 en inglÈs a locutor con comentarios y m˙sica religiosa, locutor con comentarios de fin de emisiÛn, SINPO 24322 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), Spain, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

If he had listened past 2100 he would have heard WORLD OF RADIO, tsk2. But it`s en inglÈs. Such are the lead-ins (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. 9955, WRMI with English Bible bumper talking about real science stuff like the way carbon bonds with other elements and itself in such ways to make life possible as being evidence of God.

(Assuming that because the way carbon works makes life possible, God must have created it. This is a causation fallacy. Since the only way we can observe this is because we exist in any Universe that Carbon did not exist, we wouldn't have evolved in the way we did so it only

APPEARS to be design. There's a name for that type of observational bias but I can't remember what it is called now.) [per lastest April 22 9955 program sked, Sat 2100-2115 is `Impact Radio` --- gh]

Then an MFSK-16 ID into another English Bible bumper: "The Gospel of the Kingdom" with OM taking a much more traditional approach to preaching. In OK, 44443+ with my local QRM causing the most issues and the honking goose not heard at all. 2115-2131 11/Apr (Ken Vito Zichi, Williamston MI, Heathkit SB-310, Drake SPR4, MARE Tipsheet 17 April via DXLD)

9955, WRMI with tail end of English programme that was too badly jammed to really make out then digital mode ID:

RSID: <<2015-04-12T03:32Z OLIVIA @ 1504>>
WRMI
Radio Miami International
info@wrmi.net
www.wrmi.net
facebook.com/wrmiradio

Then voice ID from Bob Zanotti, into Hobart Radio International programme which was too jammed to listen to. 4+2+442 almost 1+, 0320-0330 12/Apr [UT Sunday] (Ken Vito Zichi, Williamston MI, Heathkit SB-310, Drake SPR4, MARE Tipsheet 17 April via DXLD)

Several WRMI frequencies are inaudible, April 17 at 0040 check, as I have turned on to see what`s around when the K-index is 6: 5850, 7455-RTTY only, 7570, 9395, 9955, 11580, 11825, 15770 all inaudible, but there is a JBA carrier on 15190. Propagation is bad, but I don`t think it`s that bad, rather most WRMI transmitters off the air. I am still getting bigsigs at 0057 from 15230 and 13740 Cuba, as well as several other US SW stations on 7 and 6 MHz bands. And 12105 WTWW in Russian is inbooming at 0058 April 17, often faded way down by this time.

17790, April 17 at 1408, no signal from WRMI/R. Africa Network, while 17775 KVOH is inbooming; WRMI audible poorly on 15770, goodly on 11825. These and 9395 are the only four WRMI frequencies now scheduled between 14 and 21 (17790 to 15190 at 2000 if operational)

11580 // weaker 9955, UT Sunday April 19 at 0132, WRMI with some classical band music catches my ear, but 0135 into Spanish M&W gospel huxters with ``historias inolvidables de la Biblia``. Grid shows that would be `Maravillosas Palabras`, but I`d prefer just the music (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WRMI: see also EQUATORIAL GUINEA [non]; SOUTH CAROLINA [non]

** U S A. Hummm! Has Global 24 Radio vanished again. Nothing on their facebook page, twitter and their website is way out of date. Also people that are owed money since are still coming forward to say that Jeff Demers is not responding (Keith Perron, Taiwan, April 17, dxldyg via DX LISTENNG DIGEST)

I figured that Global 24 would be gone. Somewhere I had read on the internet about Dixi radio coming soon? Maybe twitter where I saw it. Supposed to be 24 hours of music (Glenn Blum, ibid.)

?? Possibly comments about NDXE, a SW project in Alabama that never got off the ground many years ago (gh, DXLD)

5850, Friday April 17 at 2332, WRMI is on with `Democracy Now`, Amy Goodman recognizable anywhere. This would be the Global 24 service, not RMI programming. Could not hear it at first next to noisy computer, but audible fairly outside on the PL-880. Could not listen long enough to determine whether it`s the current day`s episode; last weekend, DN was also replaying on Sat and Sun. Global 24 is also allegedly still scheduled Sat/Sun at 22-02 UT Sun/Mon on 11825, but those may be automated replays of old programming like observed last weekend. There is still nothing new on G24 website or Facebook since late March (Glenn Hauser, OK, April 18, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11825, Saturday April 18 after 22 UT, WRMI is on with Global 24 programming, scheduled weekends only. G24 website continues unupdated beyond March 30, and the exact programming doesn`t match. I only make quick chex sometime during each hour, to find: 22 old time radio, 23 Rock Pile; UT April 19: 00 oldtime radio, 01 Rick Steves Travel. During the 23 UT hour only, 5850 also on with Democracy Now, altho there is no show produced on weekends. Could not listen long enough to evaluate whether these were new episodes, but I doubt it.

Except Travel show, which sounded very familiar, guest Christopher P Baker, about loosened travel restrixions for Americans to Cuba. Yes, indeed, it was the March 28 edition:
http://www.ricksteves.com/watch-read-listen/audio/radio/programs/program-399
and there have now been three more, but not via Global 24!

The G24 website has not been redesigned, still claiming to be on 9395. BTW, G24 Facebook said March 28, ``We our [sic] mailing paper QSL cards again on April 15 - get a report in if you want one.`` So by April 20 mailboxes should be inhabited. Has anyone received a card? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glen[n], I received the inaugural broadcast QSL card from Global on 12/29/14. I figure they still owe me a card from the Berlin Wall weekend on 11/22/14. I guess the $3.00 priority QSL service didn't

mean much. Maybe they'll do better this time around. I think I'm done sending them reports for awhile. Best regards, 73, (Ed McCorry (KI4QDE), North Carolina USA, April 19, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11825, Sunday April 19 after 2200, Global 24 is again on air via WRMI, not checked until 2226 when ``Horse with No Name`` fill music is playing, so unknown what was on earlier. At 2239, interview about the blues, so must be BRI. At 2300, jazz, so `From the Left`; 2334 still jazz. And 0056 UT Monday April 20, still jazz; 0140 UT, still jazz, with Raoul announcement. I wonder if it`s only old repeats for him too? Apparently on for 3 hours straight this time.

5850, Sunday April 19 at 2303, G24 via WRMI with `Democracy Now`, the weekday leftward news hour playing again on a weekend. Current ToH news topic is Iraqi PM visiting Washington, VP Biden. That was on Tuesday April 14, so this repeat is apparently less than a week old.

5850, Monday April 20 at 2357, I tune in WRMI just in time to confirm that Global 24 is still on here with an hour of `Democracy Now` which is wrapping up. G24 outro, commercial, cut off in time to join Slovakia relay at hourtop.

Noting some details, I compare it to audio of today`s show on the D.N. website, http://democracynow.org and there is NO match. Amy said something about PBS` Frontline being on tonight, which would mean originally broadcast on a Tuesday --- but I don`t find a match either with the last three Tuesday DNs from her audio archive.

5850, Tuesday April 21 at 2259 I`m listening to WRMI as a Rudy Espinal ID fires at 2259:30, 2300 brief Global 24 ID and opening `Democracy Now`. I`m determined to discover whether this is really today`s edition or an old one. Amy doesn`t mention the date at the head of each broadcast, apparently inconceivable to her that some affiliate would be airing old shows instead of new ones.

Lead story is about Richard Engel, NBC News. Another headline is Glen(n?) Ford being freed from death row, which is what I heard at the tail of a previous monitorage. Next day I check out the audio archive at http://www.democracynow.org and find that this certainly is not the April 21 edition; nor April 20, but it *is* the Friday, April 17 edition, now 4 days old!

About Engel, the details of this story, audio and transcript:
Friday, April 17, 2015
Did NBC Cover Up Role of U.S.-Backed Free Syrian Army in 2012 Kidnapping of Richard Engel?
http://www.democracynow.org/2015/4/17/did_nbc_cover_up_role_of

full program audio for April 17:
http://hwcdn.libsyn.com/p/9/5/7/957175c5e9656ea2/dn2015-0417-1.mp3?c_id=8800240&expiration=1429722114&hwt=bbca2fc29ee5a04e240fcee7f44b59b7

May I suggest that assuring the latest edition of any program, especially news, goes on the air, is the minimum requirement for any radio service? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7490, WBCQ, ME, 2100 Apr 8, Good, AM, English, GH's World of Radio #1767 [starting with:] KNLS still off air (Jack Amelar, Lowell MI, MARE Tipsheet 17 April via DXLD)

7490.0, UT Sat April 18 at 0129, WBCQ with `Allan Weiner Worldwide`` running really long this week after 0000 UT start. He`s talking about where to get the best lobster rolls at chowderhouses on the coast of Maine. New co-host on the phone seems to be called Norm, saying goodbye to him, reachable at gatoradio@yahoo.com or 941-737-7159.

Allan says he will be in transit next week so some others in the crew will do this show, and also the following week (and Norm won`t be available either). 0134 his closing prayer to Jesus, but then plugs for BCQ airtime, mentioning 7490, 5110 and 9330, but not 15420 (and 9330 has been off the air for weeks), until finished at 0141; 0142 WBCQ jingle ID, joining Brother Scare`s screenreader with the same BS we have heard earlier this week about America being destroyed by nuclear strikes from somewhere. This is running one word behind 7570 WRMI.

5110 was already carrying Brother Scare during AWWW so that was on 7490 only. Recheck at 0544 still on with BS, fair-good signal, presumably until 0700 UT Sat as Larry Will told me, rather than until 0500 as Ivo Ivanov assumed.

5110-CUSB will presumably return to Area 51 programming on Sat/UT Sun and Sun/UT Mon, but as of 1633 UT April 18, no new schedule for this weekend at http://www.worldmicroscope.com/ Larry may still be away in Europe.

5109.7-CUSB, UT Sunday April 19 at 0130, WBCQ fighting lots of OK storm noise rather unsuccessfully, but I do make out a Miller Hilife beer ad(!), then yodeling cowboy with ``Last Roundup``.

Area 51 website now shows details for this weekend:
http://www.worldmicroscope.com/

``On-air, April 18-19, 2015
All on WBCQ 5.110 MHz and http://www.splatterbox.us:5110

Saturday, April 18, 2015 [into UT Sunday]
 7pm 2300 Radio Timtron Worldwide
 9pm 0100 The Lumpy Gravy Radio Show
10pm 0200 Zombo In Your Brain

Sunday, April 19, 2015 [into UT Monday]
 7pm 2300 Grits Radio (new time)
 8pm 0000 Plastic Magic
10pm 0200 Jean Shepherd
11pm 0300 Glenn Hauserís World of Radio 1769
1130pm 0330 Glenn Hauserís World of Radio 1768``

Note two WORs in a row, as 1768 was missed by mistake last week. Tnx, Larry Will (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9975.0, KVOH trumpet FREE JAZZ concert, nice music, S=8 in Florida remote post at 0306 UT April 19 (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7505.4, April 18 at 0128, WRNO is back on after missing several days, VG signal level but distorted music, and always way off-frequency (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7505.388, WRNO in English, at 0345 UT on April 19, emotional pastor bawler, "Are you the man?, God has gone in 2012, when angry, in Afghanistan, Russia, and Israel events there ...", strange behaviour in my ears (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7555, April 17 at 1237, WEWN Spanish is still on night frequency with morning mass, long pregnant pauses presumably filled with something on video, // 12050, and // original English version on 11520. So day frequencies 11550 Spanish and 15610 English do not start now until 1300 UT. Website sked is still outdated, expiring March 29, http://www.ewtn.com/spanish/Frequencias_radio.asp
claiming day starts at 8 am ``Eastern`` (not applicable to Alabama, but so what?), which would now be 12 UT. So why would they stay on night frequencies one real hour *later* in the summer when the sun is rising earlier and earlier? Not the only US SW station to schedule contrary to common sense.

11520, April 20 at 0057 VG signal but dead air. Perhaps WEWN is just making a QSY from 15610 day frequency in English? No, 11520 was supposed to start at 0000 per Aoki (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9930, April 20 at 0105, WTWW is on with VG signal, country gospel music; also on 9475 with SFAW, and 12105 with alternate SFAW in

English. Unusual to hear all three transmitters at once. Should 9930 be on UT Sundays in May as late as 0200, that will be a problem for The Mighty KBC on summer frequency 9925 via Germany (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12105, WTWW, Lebanon TN (presumed); 1725, 20-Apr; Patently Perverse Passed-on Petunia-Pushing Pastor Pete Peters Pontificating (not) Particularly Provocative Palaver. S10-20 with muted audio & tone which USB took out. Not // 9475 WTWW (presumed) with English nutrition huxter program.

9475, WTWW Lebanon TN (presumed); 2050-2103+, 22-Apr; Positively passed-on Pastor Pete Peters panning gold, silver & food hoarding in prep for the last days. 2056 Scriptures for America spot provocatively interrupting the preaching poobah of ponderous propaganda; 2059+ SFA spot by Radio Ranch Ranger Jason; 2102 back to the polarizing potentate of perverse palaver on "Anglo-Saxon-Celtic Christians". Latter stored media had obvious problems. No ToH station ID ó on purpose? S20 with co-channel or studio bleed QRM (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. BS now on 11670 in our afternoons via Cypress Creek:
Re:
11670 WHRI The Overcomer Ministry 2000 2100 1234567 English USA
11670 WHRI The Overcomer Ministry 2200 2300 1....7 English USA

Yes good old ìBSî (Brother Stair) via WHRI now blocks ìAll India Radioî reception in our late afternoons on 11670. Verified and of course kills reception of AIR. On Saturday and Sundays is even worse as it goes an hour later to 2300 UT.

The typical poor frequency choices made by World Harvest Radio continues. I sent a note to them in regards to this, but I could have spent the time better watching some paint dry I think?

Just ìmaybeì we can get WHRI to move this broadcast (yeah right) if we flood their email and or excessive phone calls?

http://lesea.com/about-us/contact-us/

Regards, (Dave Zantow N9EWO, Janesville WI
http://webpages.charter.net/n9ewo2/
http://webpages.charter.net/n9ewo2/news.html
April 18, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7520, WHRI Russian program at 0343 UT on April 19, address

give like "...todshka.com...". Emotionally very strong radio play of Russian family. Powerhouse signal outlet ?250 kW, S=9+35dB or -38dBm signal (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I believe tochka merely means point, or dot (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. 15550, WJHR, FL, 1551 Apr 9, Fair, USB, English. Usual incomprehensible foaming at the mouth preaching (Jack Amelar, Lowell MI, MARE Tipsheet 17 April via DXLD)

15550, WJHR Milton FL (presumed); 1831, 20-Apr; Bro. Tom with religion-by-threat; said there will be only one more rapture and for Christians-only. USB, SIO=454- (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 780, April 20 at 0622 UT, WBBM Chicago IL, but two reporters in a row sign off as ``Newsradio on 105.9 FM``, no mention of AM. Is this now standard on WBBM, further dooming its negligible AM side which only happens to cover half the nation? The off-frequency Mexican het doesn`t help until I null it, and then there`s Colorado music CCI (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

(KAZ) Yeah, this super-local often doesn't mention AM now. Cubs are now on WBBM and I think IBOC is often dropped for home games. When Cubs are on 780, news continues on 105.9. 73 KAZ too close to WGN and WBBM (Neil Kazaross, IL, ABDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

** U S A. 970, April 16 at 0620 UT, ad mentioning `Red Eye Radio`, loops NNE/SSW, i.e. WDAY Fargo ND, which is 10/10 kW U4. Another affiliate, less likely, is WMAY Springfield IL, among several further RER affils listed in the NRC AM Log. Originally a show specifically for truckers, now for all right-wing fantatix (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1010, April 20 at 0124 UT, as I tune in, good carrier in a pause, then undermodulated ID as ``KSIR, Brush-Fort Morgan`` and rejoin ESPN Radio for Sunday Night Baseball. Dominates 1010 at the moment. Is 25000/280 watts U3, so still on day power, until 0130 UT per FCC (-0200 UT from May). NRC AM Log shows prime identity is ``Farm Radio`` but also affiliated with ESPN. From NE Colorado, both day and night patterns are tight to the E and WSW, not favorable for here, but not exactly in a null. And KSIR carried WORLD OF RADIO for a while several years ago (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1140, April 20 at 0120 UT, station stuck with 4 syllables looping over and over; then dead air; 0121 recovers with 0122 ID as

``Radio Pentecoste``, praise music. Seems SSW. I am expecting XEMR Monterrey NL, but lots of google hits lead to SSE Fort Worth, and in fact per this:
http://www.iglesiapentecostescristovive.com/radio.html
the FW station on 1140 is now known as Radio Pentecostes Cristo Vive, 24 hours. That would be per NRC AM Log, KHFX, COL Cleburne TX, 5000/710 watts, SS:MEX format, address way off in Round Rock near Austin. FCC AM Query confirms call is still KHFX. Night pattern has a small lobe to the NW; day pattern major broad lobe to the west, minor to the ENE, and nulls toward me NNW, and SSE. Official FCC sunset in April is 0100 UT; May 0115 UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1270, April 17 at 0050 UT, VG with Spanish talk, taking caller from Florida, no doubt KFLC Fort Worth TX, 50/5 kW U4, logged only to note the IBOC noise it is throwing onto 1260 and 1280 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1320, April 17 at 1228 UT, mentions 91.5 FM, St. Louis weather, iHeart Radio, 1320 AM. Not clear if // the FM, or cross promotion. These are Bott stations. NRC AM Log lists KSIV AM & FM Clayton MO as //. However, the FM would have to be non-commercial, so is the AM too? KSIV is 4.6/0.27 kW U2; well after sunrise now.

1320 was my local while at Washington University, 1963-1965y; call then was KXLW. That`s too far back before 1978y to show in FCC call sign history for facility 6499. Here`s an exhaustive listing of all the frequency, ownership and call sign changes in the St Louis market, saying KXLW lasted until July 1975:
http://www.stlmediahistory.com/Radio/Frequency

Also there is this story about KXLW`s colorful early history long before I was there:
http://www.stlmediahistory.com/index.php/Radio/RadioArticles/for-kxlw-the-early-road-was-rough
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1440, April 18 at 0553 UT, peaking NE/SW in heavy QRM, tuning by, I hear ``The Big Talker, KHHA(?)``. No, it must be my closest but seldom heard 1440, KMAJ Topeka KS, 5/1 kW U3 with such a slogan. Both day and night patterns aim NW, with a null toward here. I never hear a trace of it on daytime groundwave, unlike 580 WIBW which is almost a local (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1580, April 17 at 0520 UT, looking for the new KHIG in Colorado Springs CO (ex-KREL, sports): looping NW/SE probably this, atop but with considerable QRM, W&W interview mentions ``all things women`` (a title?), about nutrition, libido, nether regions. Guest on phone is nutritionist Abby; 0532 UT local ad with addresses but I

can`t copy anything to match to C.S.

All this during heavy local T-storm, no AC power outage but on DX-398, battery and internal antenna only. 0533 UT ID by M sounds like ``Kick-1580``, which makes me wonder if it`s KXZZ Lake Charles LA 1/1 kW U2, which is sports format but not known to use that slogan; possibly CCI from it. Then back to `All About Her` program; 0559 UT ID by low-key M voice, stoned? tentatively KHIG, 0600 UT right into ``Radio MD``. That`s the network/webcast carrying `All About Her`.

About the program, subtitled ``the NAKED truth about WOMEN``:
http://www.iheart.com/show/48-RadioMD-HER-Radio/
But hard to find any affiliate list of real radio stations.

Shawn Axelrod in Manitoba two hours earlier was hearing Kay-High-15-80 with non-pot talk about benefits of sleeping nude, other health matters. Ex-KREL facility is 10000/140 watts U1, and was well-known for running day power at night which would still be likely (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1700, April 17 at 1218 UT, ``1700 The Champ`` IDs, Des Moines and Iowa ads, 1221 UT back to CBS Sports Radio. From KBGG, distinguishing it from KVNS TX on another sports network (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. LINDEN SHUTS DOWN ILLEGAL RADIO STATION --- According to this report "Police said New Jersey and Florida are the only two states in the U.S. in which "pirate" radio station operations are illegal, if they are operating at a certain power output without a license. There is separate offense if the unlicensed radio station broadcasts are interfering with a legally licensed station, police said."

Is this correct please?
http://www.mycentraljersey.com/story/news/local/union-county/2015/04/15/pirated-radio-station-signed-linden-officials/25844257/
Posted by: (Mike Terry, April 21, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A. Glenn, this item is a few weeks old, but I forward it in case you haven't seen it. The FCC limited NOAA Weather Radio retransmissions in the TIS service to non-routine situations.
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TRAVELERS' INFORMATION STATIONS. Reaffirmed and clarified that TIS licensees may integrate weather broadcasts into TIS feeds during times of hazardous conditions. The Report and Order adopts new filtering rules and procedures. by Order on Reconsideration. (Dkt No. RM-11514 09-19 RM-11531). Action by: the Commission. Adopted: 03/25/2015 by R&O. (FCC No. 15-37). PSHSB

https://apps.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-15-37A1.docx
https://apps.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-15-37A1.pdf
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The TIS item contains references to Gropper. That would be Dan Gropper, a ham here in the DC area who manufactures weather radios for commercial and institutional markets.

On another note, on Friday, April 17 the FCC authorized the Citizens Broadband Radio Service, the first new CB service in many years.

CBRS is in the 3550-3700 MHz band, and in that respect and others it is about as far from the traditional CB service as you can get. Regards, (Benn Kobb, April 19, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UZBEKISTAN. All broadcasts of CVC The Voice Asia inactive in A-15:
0000-0400 on 6260 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg to IND Hindi in A-14
0100-0400 on 9975 TAC 100 kW / 186 deg to SoAs Hindi in A-14
0400-1100 on 13630 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg to IND Hindi in A-14
1100-1400 on 9670 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg to IND Hindi in A-14
1400-2000 on 6260 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg to IND Hindi in A-14, my last videos
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/all-broadcasts-of-cvc-voice-asia-are.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Blgria, April 18, dxldyg via DXLD)

That leaves 9975 to KVOH at exactly the same span (gh, DXLD)

** VANUATU. 3945, R. Vanuatu (presumed), 1401, April 16. Nicely above threshold level audio; heard immediately after "RN2" Japan went off the air, playing the often heard song "You Are the Only One," which was again played at 1415; so was their normal long playing musical loop with no announcements of any kind. Guess we will have to wait for another tropical storm before they again have any actual announcements (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3944.992 kHz, footprint of Radio Vanuatu at 1300 UT April 17, no station announcement at the hour though, international pop music program. S=8 or -80dBm signal strength (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews April 18 via DXLD)

Using some remote receiver? Wouldn`t this be Nikkei, Japan, which normally runs until 1400 on weekdays, and this was Friday, as in the accompanying log from Ron Howard? (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** VANUATU. NEW RADIO PODCAST: VANUATU'S MEGA-DISASTER AND SHORTWAVE RADIO

Dear All, As you may know, I greatly enjoyed my column on humanitarian broadcasting for CQ Plus that ran last year. Since the discontinuation of CQ Plus, I am very excited to announce that I've launched a very similar-themed audio program titled "Disaster DX."

The first episode of Disaster DX is now published on my website, and concerns the devastation of Vanuatu last month by Category 5 Cyclone Pam, and the vital role played by shortwave radio. It also includes a behind-the-scenes look at how Radio Vanuatu's shortwave infrastructure was repaired in only two weeks following Pam's landfall.

Click here to access the program. You can click the blue arrow from any computer or mobile phone and the 17 minute show will play. http://clicks.aweber.com/y/ct/?l=6LIy6&m=3gzFsypw_hQLtme&b=l8bsDdZoJi.7C.OqVnS6Ag

I would be delighted to hear any feedback you may have--feel free to reply to this message. Subsequent episodes will be available via iTunes as well. Best wishes, (Mehmet Burk, ReliefAnalysis.com April 21, Melting Glacier Analytics, 8317 Neuse Rapids Rd, Raleigh, NC 27616, WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

Podcast: Vanuatu's Mega-Disaster and Humanitarian Broadcasting
9:10 PM

This past March, monstrous Cyclone Pam achieved Category 5 status before plowing through the Pacific Island nation of Vanuatu. In ReliefAnalysis.com's first Disaster DX podcast, the long-term implications of Pam's devastation is examined, as well as a re-emergence of shortwave humanitarian broadcasting that followed in the early days of cyclone recovery.

Click the blue arrow below to listen!
http://audioboom.com/boos/3098933-humanitarian-broadcasting-revives-in-post-cyclone-vanuatu
(via DXLD)

Well done, but toward the end he refers to ``summer coming on``, while Vanuatu is south of the equator, so winter, or rather neither really applicable (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VIETNAM. Saludos cordiales, estoy escuchando a la Voz de Vietnam en espaÒol por 9780 en servicio de 1800 a 1830. øNuevo servicio o emisiÛn accidental? Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, April 22, dxldyg via DXLD)

7280, Voice de Vietnam, Hanoi-Sonta, 1818-1820, escuchada el 22 de abril de 2015 en espaÒol, locutor y locutora con boletÌn de noticias, emisiÛn en paralelo con 9730, SINPO 33333

9730, Voice de Vietnam, Hanoi-Sonta, 1806-1818 y de 1820-1827, escuchada el 22 de abril de 2015 en espaÒol a locutora con boletÌn de noticias, locutor con reportaje, referencias al desastre del Mediterraneo, ID, emisiÛn en paralelo por 7280 SINPO 34333

HFCC: Anuncia 7280 y 9730 de 1800 a 2000 emisiones en inglÈs, francÈs y espaÒol.
http://www.hfcc.org/data/schedbybrc.php?seas=A15&broadc=VOV
(Romero, ibid.)

** ZAMBIA. Z¬MBIA, 5915, ZNBC-Radio 1, Lusaka, 2117-2129, 18/4, dialecto local, texto e chamadas de ouvintes, m˙sica lig.™ afric., an˙ncios do n.∫ de telef., em inglÍs; 45333. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZANZIBAR. TANZANIA: 11735, Radio Tanzania-Zanzibar (presumed); 2046-2058:53*, 23-Apr; Long lite Arabish vocal to brief unknown language announcement at 2056+ back to music & off abruptly. SIO=352 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE [non]. Clandestinas: MADAGASCAR, 12115, Radio Dialogue, Talata Volondry, 1606-1610, escuchada el 17 de abril de 2015 en inglÈs, emisiÛn de m˙sica, locutor en conversaciÛn con invitada, SINPO 34222 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), EspaÒa, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 750, UNID Spanish Female at TOH [1 Attachment]. This is about the best null I can get on powerhouse, WSB in Atlanta just over 200 miles from my QTH. Clearly hear mellow Spanish music just after TOH, followed by a female announcer. But the combination of the weak signal, and my very poor Spanish makes it impossible to pull out for me. Can I ask for help once more from my fellow DX'ers? My only logging on this channel is WSB, and I'd love to put another one in the log tonight. Grateful for the help. -- 73, (Les Rayburn, N1LF, EM63nf, AL, ABDX via DXLD)

Les, I've listened to this a couple of times, and it's difficult to pick out, as Tim suggests. Here's a hunch: since you're pointing your loop in a direction that is 90 degrees from Atlanta (which, for you, would be pointing it South-Southeast from your QTH in Maylene), might this be the 100 kW blaster out of Caracas, Venezuela, YVKS? 73, (Rick Dau, South Omaha, Nebraska EN21af, ibid.)

Les, While I can`t make out any words, the music and style of announcement remind me very much of Radio Progreso, Cuba. Since there

is a 10 kW RP on 750 in Palmira, Cienfuegos, per WRTH, that would be my first suspect, rather than Venezuela as someone suggested. You should have tried // to one of the numerous other Radio Progreso frequencies. If it were between 0030 and 0400 UT, you could also // 4765 SW. 73, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

I can't get much of anything on this one. Can't pick out a single word. The mellow music and general tone of the announcer's voice suggest Cuba to me (Tim Hall, CA, Sent via BlackBerry from T-Mobile, NRC-AM via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1460, April 17 at 0046 UT, classic country from N/S, SAH of about 6 Hz with an ESPN station overtaking it. (Never mind SS KZUE closest in OK, easily overridden by any skywave). Each has two major possibilities in the NRC AM Log:
C&W: KLTC Dickinson ND 5000/5000 W U2; KCWM Hondo TX 500/226 watts U1
ESPN: KXPN Kearney NE 5000/56 W U1; KCLE Burleson TX 10000/700 W U4
Now which pair are 6 Hz apart? Otherwise, KCLE & KCWM most likely
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. UNKNOWNISTAN: 7260, 0334 Apr 10, Poor, AM, English. Best USB. Poor copy, regional music. English speaking but unable to make out much. Music abruptly ends 0350. Nothing heard subsequent evenings, except hams, until 0106 Apr 16 very weak non-ham talking. The only English listed on this frequency is R Vanuatu (Jack Amelar, Lowell MI, MARE Tipsheet 17 April via DXLD)

>>> [This bears further attention!] <<< (MARE Tipsheet ed., ibid.)

That`s quite early for Vanuatu to be propagating, if on. The 0350 ending smax of Voice of Turkey scheduling. Lookie here in Aoki:

7260 VOICE OF TURKEY 0000-0155 1234567 Turkish 500 72 Emirler TUR 3929N 03251E TRT a15

So it could be a case of forgetting to change frequency from a previous transmission, a known defect at TRT. English at 0300 is supposed to be on 9515 & 6165. Next time, if any, check whether one of those be missing (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDentified. Station with Arabic music on 9600:
till 1116 on April 10 and till 1111 on April 15
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/unidentified-station-with-arabic-music.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #906 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, April 21, 2015, via DXLD)

UNIDentified with Arabic music, probably test of R. Cairo:

0940-0941 on 9964.7 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg to NEAm, April 16
1130-1210 on 9964.7 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg to NEAm, April 19

A-15 schedule of Radio Cairo on nominal frequency 9965 is:
2300-0030 on 9965 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg to NEAm English
0030-0430 on 9965 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg to NEAm Arabic
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/unidentified-with-arabic-music-probably.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #906 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, April 21, 2015, via DXLD)

I have been hearing this unID Arabic music on 9315 from my QTH in Haddon Heights, NJ using a Grundig 750. It has the same distortion as R. Cairo but less severe as R. Cairo's regular transmission (Anthony Messina, HCDX via DXLD)

At what times? This was posted at 1349 UT April 18, but normal hours for Cairo on 9315 are 0045-0330 in Spanish and English (gh, DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 11425-SSB, April 18 at 1257-1313+, intermittent singing, initially and repetitively with syllables sounding like ``ba-ta-hay`` over and over, some overlap from competitors; 1313 more of a real song but also with repeated syllables. Presumably the Indonesian QSO pirates which infest this part of the band (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 11550, *1428-1434 17 April. OC, then very weak signal in Korean-sounding language under WEWN. Aoki has North Korea Reform Radio (Tashkent) *1430-1530*, but not enough signal today to ID. [later:] Ivo's new info re: 11550 NKRR. Site is apparently Palauig-Zambales [PHILIPPINES] and not Tashkent as is shown in Aoki) (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach CA, G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15649.5-SSB, April 21 at 1420, 2-way intruder, very poor and intermittent; at first concluded it`s non-Spanish until I heard a ``puta`` and a ``cambio`` in extremely colloquial accent, also whistling by totally unprofessional miker. At least no Greece or anything else on 15650 to be bothered (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS
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ACKNOWLEDGED ON WORLD OF RADIO 1770:
Tnx to Will Martin, St Louis MO, for a generous check to P O Box 1684, Enid OK 73702
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TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED FUTURELY:
Hi Glenn, I hope you had a very good 70th birthday. Your dedication to shortwave is first class. I am sending a paypal for the hard work that you have done. Best of health, happiness, and that rare signal from the shortwave bands! 73's (Mike Stone Arlington Hts, IL) woradio at yahoo.com for PayPal, not necessarily in US funds; no credit cards

TINY TRAP
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Cuba is ``tiny`` according to Tavis Smiley about 10 minutes into his April 21 PBS interview about Cuba (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See ANTARCTICA; INDIA; NORWAY
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DAB See NORWAY
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- IBOC See USA: WBBM, KFLC
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See MEXICO; OKLAHOMA; SPAIN
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RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM
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ARRL LAB MANAGER SAYS SWITCHING POWER SUPPLIES ARE A MORE COMMON NOISE SOURCE THAN POWER LINES

ARRL Laboratory Manager and EMI Expert Ed Hare, W1RFI, told the HamRadioNow webcast recently that switching-mode power supplies are a more common noise source for radio amateurs than electrical power lines. HamRadioNow host Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, interviewed Hare on April 4 at the Raleigh, North Carolina, RARSfest, where Hare also presented a forum, "Tall Tales from the ARRL Lab."

Hare told Pearce that switching-mode power supplies are in -- or rovide power for -- many home electronics these days.

"The old days of those iron transformers are gone," Hare said. "Every single one of these is a switcher. We're also seeing noise from pulse-width control motors." Hare said the big culprits are "little wall warts," not switching supplies designed to power Amateur Radio gear. "Every TV you own has a built-in switcher, almost every device has a wall wart, and a lot of these are imported, not necessarily meeting

the FCC rules, so we're seeing more reports involving those," he said.

Hare also told HamRadioNow that a few LED-type lightbulbs that are becoming more common also can be noise-generators, as are "grow lights" used for cultivating plants indoors. He said that the ARRL Lab can work with manufacturers to correct these problems, but the Lab needs model numbers and "specific information about the problems amateurs are having, so that we can put some of our resources toward helping."

Many interference issues can be resolved without FCC intervention, Hare said, noting that Commission enforcement is the last step, if other efforts fail. "We've been told by Laura Smith [of the FCC Enforcement Bureau] that she's going to continue to be engaged in this," he said, "so we're going to continue to send problems [in] that direction."

Hams experiencing RF interference problems can contact the ARRL Laboratory by contacting Ed Hare or ARRL Lab EMC SpecialistMike Gruber, W1MG. The complete interview with Hare is in Episode 196 at http://www.hamradionow.tv -- Thanks to Gary Pearce, KN4AQ/HamRadioNow (via MARE Tipsheet via DXLD)

Guess what? These are just as big a problem for us one-way receivers of RF, who as usual get totally ignored by the 2-wayers (gh, DXLD)

NEARMAP Hits the USA

As part of our 10th anniversary year, of week long celebrations & contributions here at Shortwavesites YG, I'm pleased to announce to the group the roll-out of high-resolution imagery across the USA by little Aussie company; 'Nearmap'.

This Australian company began roll-out of free aerial (aircraft aerial photography) on the internet several years ago of Australia's capital cities, larger regional centers & some mining centers prior to restricting access to paid subscribers. One of the great things about the imagery was that it was regularly updated in most centers & more frequently in the metropolitan areas. The imagery was both aerial (hi-res) overhead & also birdseye view.

Last year Nearmap commenced aerial imagery photography of high population areas of the USA & as of two months ago made this imagery freely available from their website.

I note the platform has been greatly improved over recent years & now accepts coordinates --- yay :-) I also understand that for paid subscribers imagery will be usable within Google Earth.

As I stated, the current & historical imagery is accessible freely, however there's a time limit of 5 minutes. If the user flashes their cache & exits the site & logs back in you'll get another 5 minutes.

PLEASE NOTE however that the free access won't last long. After the promotional period access will be restricted to paid subscribers & access is expensive!

I note that the WWCR Nashville SW TX site is viewable in very nice hi-res imagery. Members may like to see if they can find any other SW or MW or SW utility sites of interest & report their SW TX site discoveries.

Enjoy it whilst it is freely available.
http://maps.us.nearmap.com/
(Ian, April 18, SWSites yg via DXLD)

PROPAGATION
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SNOW DOES ENHANCE GROUND CONDUCTIVITY, MW PROPAGATION

Glenn, This quotation: "This reminds me of the assertion that some people make that snow on the ground enhances MF propagation"

is actually true. Ground conductivity in many circumstances is increased by frozen ground. (Conductivity is, of course, a terrible simplification, since propagation over the surface of the earth is influenced by several other factors besides just conductivity itself.) (Ben Dawson, WA, Hatfield-Dawson Consulting Engineers, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SOLAR DYNAMICS OBSERVATORY VIDEOS

Tomas Hood, NW7US sent a link to a video with the following commentary:

http://g.nw7us.us/5yrsofSunBySDO

"This video features stunning clips of the Sun, captured by SDO from each of the five years since SDO's deployment in 2010. In this movie, watch giant clouds of solar material hurled out into space, the dance of giant loops hovering in the corona, and huge sunspots growing and shrinking on the Sun's surface.

"February 11, 2015 marked five years in space for NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory, which provides incredibly detailed images of

the whole Sun 24 hours a day. February 11, 2010, was the day on which NASA launched an unprecedented solar observatory into space. The Solar Dynamics Observatory (SDO) flew up on an Atlas V rocket, carrying instruments that scientists hoped would revolutionize observations of the Sun.

"April 21, 2015 marks the five-year anniversary of the Solar Dynamics Observatory (SDO) First Light press conference, where NASA revealed the first images taken by the spacecraft. Since then, SDO has captured amazingly stunning super-high-definition images in multiple wavelengths, revealing new science, and captivating views.

"Capturing an image more than once per second, SDO has provided an unprecedentedly clear picture of how massive explosions on the Sun grow and erupt. The imagery is also captivating, allowing one to watch the constant ballet of solar material through the Sun's atmosphere, the corona.

"The imagery in this 'highlight reel' provide us with examples of the kind of data that SDO provides to scientists. By watching the Sun in different wavelengths (and therefore different temperatures, each 'seen' at a particular wavelength that is invisible to the unaided eye) scientists can watch how material courses through the corona. SDO captures images of the Sun in 10 different wavelengths, each of which helps highlight a different temperature of solar material. Different temperatures can, in turn, show specific structures on the Sun such as solar flares or coronal loops, and help reveal what causes eruptions on the Sun, what heats the Sun's atmosphere up to 1,000 times hotter than its surface, and why the Sun's magnetic fields are constantly on the move.

"Coronal loops are streams of solar material traveling up and down looping magnetic field lines). Solar flares are bursts of light, energy and X-rays. They can occur by themselves or can be accompanied by what's called a coronal mass ejection, or CME, in which a giant cloud of solar material erupts off the Sun, achieves escape velocity and heads off into space.

"This movie shows examples of X-ray flares, coronal mass ejections, prominence eruptions when masses of solar material leap off the Sun, much like CMEs. The movie also shows sunspot groups on the solar surface. One of these sunspot groups, a magnetically strong and complex region appearing in mid-January 2014, was one of the largest in nine years as well as a torrent of intense solar flares. In this case, the Sun produced only flares and no CMEs, which, while not unheard of, is somewhat unusual for flares of that size. Scientists are looking at that data now to see if they can determine what circumstances might have led to flares eruptions alone.

"Scientists study these images to better understand the complex electromagnetic system causing the constant movement on the Sun, which can ultimately have an effect closer to Earth, too: Flares and another type of solar explosion called coronal mass ejections can sometimes disrupt technology in space as well as on Earth (disrupting shortwave communication, stressing power grids, and more). Additionally, studying our closest star is one way of learning about other stars in the galaxy.

"Goddard built, operates and manages the SDO spacecraft for NASA's Science Mission Directorate in Washington, D.C. SDO is the first mission of NASA's Living with a Star Program. The program's goal is to develop the scientific understanding necessary to address those aspects of the Sun-Earth system that directly affect our lives and society." (QST de W1AW, Propagation Forecast Bulletin 16 ARLP016 From Tad Cook, K7RA, Seattle, WA April 17, 2015, To all radio amateurs, via Dave Raycroft, ODXA yg via DXLD)

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Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 13 - 19 April 2015

Solar activity was at very low to low levels. Numerous weak to moderate level C-class flares were observed from Regions 2320 (S12, L=211, class/area Dac/180 on 07 Apr), 2321 (N13, L=095, class/area Ekc/620 on 13 Apr) and 2324 (N18, L=062, class/area Dko/410 on 15 Apr). The most significant event of the period occurred from Region 2321 on 18 April when the region produced a C5/1f flare at 18/1419 UTC. Associated with this event was a 7 degree long filament eruption, centered near N05W16. The filament eruption resulted in an asymmetric, faint full-halo CME, first visible in SOHO/LASCO C2 imagery at 18/1524 UTC.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal levels on 13-15 April and high levels on 16-19 April.

Geomagnetic field activity began the period on 13-14 April at quiet to active levels under the influence of a weak transient. By midday

on 15 April, field activity increased to active to minor storm (G1-minor) levels as a co-rotating interaction region (CIR), in advance of a negative polarity coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS), influenced the magnetic field of Earth. Geomagnetic activity increased to major storm (G2-moderate) levels late on 16 April due to CH HSS effects and continued at active to minor storm levels through midday on 17 April. Field activity relaxed to quiet to unsettled levels through the remainder of the summary period as CH HSS effects waned.

During the period, ACE solar wind parameters measured a high wind speed of 784 km/s on 17/0408 UTC with a low speed of 286 km/s on 14/0004 UTC. Total field (Bt) ranged from about 1-17 nT while the Bz component varied between +13 to -12 nT. The phi angle was generally in a negative (towards) orientation with intermittent periods of rotation to a positive (away) sector.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 20 APRIL - 16 MAY 2015

Solar activity is expected to be very low to low with a slight chance for moderate (R1-R2/minor-moderate) levels through 24 April due to the flare potential from Region 2321. Very low to low levels are expected from 25 April through 06 May. From 06-16 May, activity levels are expected to increase to a chance for (R1-R2/minor-moderate) levels upon the return of old Region 2321 (N11, L=092).

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit, barring any significant flare activity.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at moderate to high levels from 20 April-06 May, normal to moderate levels from 07-12 May and moderate to high levels from 13-16 May.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at G1 (minor) geomagnetic storm levels on 21 and 22 April due to CME effects. Field activity is expected to be at G1 (minor) geomagnetic storm levels on 14 May with unsettled to active conditions expected on 20, 25, 29-30 April and 01, 13 and 15 May, all due to CH HSS effects. Quiet to unsettled field activity is expected for the remainder of the outlook period.

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27-day Space Weather Outlook Table
Issued 2015-04-20
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# UTC Date	Radio Flux 10.7 cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
2015 Apr 20	150	12	4
2015 Apr 21	150	35	6
2015 Apr 22	145	27	5
2015 Apr 23	140	12	4
2015 Apr 24	135	8	3
2015 Apr 25	130	12	4
2015 Apr 26	125	5	2
2015 Apr 27	130	5	2
2015 Apr 28	135	5	2
2015 Apr 29	135	12	4
2015 Apr 30	135	18	5
2015 May 01	135	12	4
2015 May 02	130	8	3
2015 May 03	130	5	2
2015 May 04	130	5	2
2015 May 05	130	5	2
2015 May 06	135	8	3
2015 May 07	140	8	3
2015 May 08	145	8	3
2015 May 09	145	5	2
2015 May 10	140	5	2
2015 May 11	135	5	2
2015 May 12	135	8	3
2015 May 13	135	15	4
2015 May 14	135	20	5
2015 May 15	135	12	4
2015 May 16	135	8	3

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1770, DXLD)

GLENN`S PROPAGATION OUTLOOK FOR MEDIA NETWORK PLUS AS OF APRIL 23 2015

Keith, IPS in Australia foresees Global HF propagation mostly normal thru April 25.

Spaceweather South Africa calls for magnetic conditions to be unsettled thru April 25; shortwave fadeouts unlikely; MUF stable.

Four-Day Space Weather Forecast Summary to April 26 from MetOffice UK: A 30% chance of R1-R2 radio blackouts with only a 5% risk of the odd strong flare of R3. Geomagnetic activity mainly quiet to unsettled.

F K Janda of the Czech Propagation Interest Group says the Geomagnetic field will be:
quiet on April 24, 28, May 4 - 6, 10 - 11
quiet to active on April 25, May 8
active to disturbed on April 26, 30, May 12
mostly quiet on April 27, May 1 - 3, 9
quiet to unsettled on April 29, May 7
disturbed on April 30, May 7, 13

The outlook from SWPC in Boulder: Geomagnetic Field unsettled to active April 25, 29-30 and May 1, 13 and 15. G1 (minor) geomagnetic storm levels on May 14 with A and K indices of 20 and 5. On April 30, A and K of 18 and 5. The lowest 5 and 2 dates are April 26-28 and May 3-5. Solar flux dipping to 125 on April 26; peaking at 145 May 8 and 9.

Bill Hepburn`s VHF-UHF DX maps show extreme tropospheric ducting along the Texas Gulf coast peaking the morning of April 26; and the entire week between Oman and India (via DXLD) ###